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## Dr Owen decides to visit Rhodesia for settlement talks

Dr David Owen is to make the first wisit to Rhodesia by a British Foreign Secretary for six years on Friday. He announced this yesterlay after meeting Mr Ian Smith,

the Rhodesian Prime Minister, in Cape Town. The visit is seen as an important step in an attempt to organize a constitutional conference to settle the Rhodesian issue.

## S Africa meeting with Mr Smith

Prom Nicholas Ashford

lape Town, April 13 The three-month-old deadlock wer Rhodesia was broken today hith an announcement by Dr David Owen, the British Foreign the control of the co

Lusaka on Friday night and pend Saturday in Rhodesia, where he will hold talks with hare he will hold talks with Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister, and listen to all hades of Rhodesian opinion, black and white.

came after a meeting lasting more than two and a half hours with Mr Smith this afternoon at the Cape Town residence of the British Ambassadon to South Africa During their talks both men agreed to give further consideration to Dr Owen's proposals for a new con-vitational conference on Rhodesia to be convened jointly by Eritain and the United States. Eritain and the United States, which would prepare the way for majority rule in Rhodesia, hy the end of next year. Dr Owen had earlier today had a three-hour meeting with Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, which concentrated almost exclusively on Phodesia. Mr. Smith, and 36-Rhodesia. Mr Smith and Mr Vorster met yesterday.
The visit will be the first to

Rhodesia by a British Foreign Secretary since Sir Alec Donglas Home (now Lord Home of the Hirsel) was there sit years ago, and the first by an official British representative ince Mr Ivor Richard was there during his abortive mission at the beginning of this

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Mr Smith gave warnings in superate press conferences that would have to take place before it was decided to convene a constitutional conference. As Mr Shith put it: "A lot more spade work will have to be done before we are convinced that his is a starter."

African tour on Monday he has insisted that he was floating tolers rather than putting forward a blueprint for a settlement. My Smith said he was still unclear exactly what the British proposals were, but that it had been agreed that further consideration should be given to the idea of holding a constitutional conference. Since Dr Owen began his tutional conference.

For his part, Dr Owen said he would have to have further discussions with the Americans, with whom Britain is working as an equal partner in this as an equal partner in this latest attempt to resolve the Rhodesian crisis, with the Rhodesian nationalists and the front line presidents as well as with his British Cabinet colleagues. However, he emphasized that his aim still was to hold a constitutional conference and establish an electoral process which would lead to a cess which would lead to peaceful transition to majority rule next year.

He was vague about when in 1978 he envisaged independence being achieved, pointing out the British Parliament would have to pass the neces-sary legislation and the mechanics of holding elections in Rhodesia would have to be worked out. Significantly, however, Mr Smith did not rule out the possibility of majority rule

next year when he was ques-

tioned about the time-scale which he envisaged. The atmosphere at today's meeting, which was also attended on the Rhodesian side attended on the Rhodesian side by Mr David Smith, the Deputy Prime Minister, and Mr Pieter Van Der Byl, the Foreign Minister, was considerably more cordial than recent meetings between Mr Smith and British representatives. Dr Owen said the talks had been conducted in a "friendly and intelligent and sensible way." Mr Smith des-cribed them as "sincere and honest."

ficant results of today's meeting was that it has now become plain that Mr Smith has moved away from his previously rigid adherence to the terms of the Anglo-American agreement negotiated by Dr Henry Kissinger, the former American

inger, the former American Secretary of State, last year. While stating that these pro-posals should "remain on the table", he is now prepared to listen to new ideas and even sit: down again with the various black nationalist leaders.

Dr Owen's decision to go to Salisbury is an important fillip for Mr Smith who has to pre-side over a crucial congress of his Rhodesia Front Party on Monday on the controversial issue of the Land Tenure Amendment Bill which has caused a split in party ranks.

Mr Smith had been urging the Foreign Secretary to visit Rhodesia to study the situation there at first hand.

Dr Owen was due to leave tomorrow morning for Botswana and will then travel to Lusaka remorrow night.

## Zaire planes 'bomb Zambia

Lusaka, April 13.-Zambia accused Zaire today of bombing a hospital and villages on its soil amid reports of fresh fighting just across their border, in Zaire's Shaba province. Lusaka said that Zaire aircraft.

had bombed the village of Shingamfunji Mangango on Satur-day and Kaleni Hill mission hospitul two days later. An unspecified number of people were injured. British and American volunteers are work-ing in the area but there were no reports of any one of them

being injured.

Both alleged incidents took Both alleged lacidents took place in a sliver of Zambian territory bordering on both Zaire and Angola: They were the latest indication of continued fighting in Shaba province between Zaire's Army and what it claims are insurgants

what it claims are insurgents from Angola.
Luanda, April 13.—Angola has protested to France over the French airlift of military aid from Morocco to Zaire, accusing France of hostility towards African people.
The protest note said that France had agreed to internationalize a conflict which was none of its business and was Organization is pinning its hopes on a new vaccine but it costs £12 an injection Page 6 Envoy resigns in Accusing the Ehutto Govern-ment of being a dictatorial regime, Air Marshal Abdur Rahim Khan, Pakistan's Ambasone of its business and was sador to Spain, has designed. He also says Mr Bhutto has broken

taking on a heavy responsibility by involving itself in the affairs of Zaire.—Reuter. Cairo, April 13.—Contrary to Page 7 statements from senior officials in Zaire, Egypt: has made no commitment to send troops or arms there pending a report by a fact-finding mission, informed Williams was given a standing ovurion at the National Union she attacked the education Cairo sources said today. The mission, including two Road casualties: Traffic in-creased by 4 per cent last year, and casualties rose by about 43 generals and five colonels, went to Zaire late last week without

its departure being announced in Cairo. The sources said that personnel. it was expected back within the next few days.—AP.

# Union steers a middle path at Heathrow

By Christopher Lhomas
Labour Reporter
British Airways was condemned by the executive of
the Amalgamated Union of
Engineering Workers lost night
for dismissing workers who
have bouned overtime and shift
working. The union demanded
their "full immediate reinstatement.".

But the executive refused to make the men's action official and called on them to work normally if the al-line withdrew ite dismissal rotices. Mr Hugh Scaulon, the union's president, said management actions had made a difficult situation

moree. All 3,500 members of the union employed by British Airways at Heatbrow have stopped work. But with assistance from members of other unions and management men the airline yesterday maintained about half its normal European Heatbrow and canflights from Heathrow and can-celled only four long-distance flights. A similar pattern is

xpected today.

the airport's formal baranining
The AUEW executive, meet-structure, and Mr Scanlou

dissociated itself from the part between management and other unions to do the jobs of AUEW members. That pact has for-mally been scrapped, but clearly yesterday some of the men's jobs were being covered

by other workers. A strong picket line was established around the airport yesterday, but British Airways said it was having on effect because the men were not attempting to stop vehicles or all part amplicates. ali port employees.

Late her night the sirline was awaiting formal notification of the AUEW executive's move before it responds. If it

refuses to withdraw dismissal notices, the executive could press the demand for reinstate-ment, but there is no likelihood yet that the men's demand for separate bargaining rights will get official union backing. The union is bound by a con-ference decision to try to give shop stewards a greater say in the airport's formal bargaining

would seek ways to achieve that, once there was normal working. The executive said it wanted

"immediate discussions on the existing negociating procedure, with a view to improved participation of shop stewards in any new machinery". The crucial question is whether that commitment will go far enough to meet the stewards' case and induce a willingness to return induce a willingness to return 10 work.

Mr Scanlon said the union had not made the dispute official because all avenues had not been explored. After a re-sumption of normal working the union envisaged negotiations between senior British Airways management and the union enecutive to seek a solution to the shop stewards demands for a bigger say in pay bargaining.

One of the fire stewards lendone of the live stewards land-ing the Heathrow action, Mr Jack Garsky, soid earlier yes-terday: "We have moved into a hardeving of the situation, something we did not envisage

indicated yesterday that it at the beginning of what was at the beginning of what was a very simple claim."

Another steward. Mr Frank Gates, said: "We did not want the dispute, Management made it worse by sacking our members. Our lads went to their assistance in the normal trade union manner."

The attempted have called a

The stewards have called a meeting of AUEW members in a Southall cinema for this morning, when details of the moves

by the union executive will be put to the men.

So far the Advisory, Concidetion and Arbitration Service (Acas) has been unable to intervene because the action is unofficial. AUEW members at Man-

chester stopped work yesterday and will meet at 2 pm today to consider the outcome of the Southall meeting. All flights have been cancelled until then. At Birmingham, members of the union walked out at 4.30 pm yesterday but most aircraft were getting away. There may, however, be cancellations today

if the stoppage continues. Men resentful, page

## **Meningitis** fear from resistance to penicillin

By Nature-Times News Service Two groups of American research workers have discovered that the bacterium that causes gonorrhoea, the world's commonest veneral disease, has acquired the ability to pass on its resistance to treatment by penicillin, which was reported last year.

The scientists now say that some strains of the causal bacterium, Neisseria gonorrhoca bave acquired resistance to the single high doses of penicillin which are the most successful treatment and also the ability to "mate" with drug-sensitive strains and to transfer the drug resistance. The gonococcus has acouired a sex life.

Microbiologists fear that as well as making the spread of penicillin resistance through the gonococcal population more rapid, the gonococcus might transfer its resistance to its close relation, Neisseria meningitidis, the cause of sometimes fatal epidemic meninging. which can still be treated with

Resistance to large doses of penicillin was found last year in some strains of the gonococcus in the For East, the United States and Britain. The genetic nformation specifying penicillin resistance is carried on a plasmid, a small circle of DNA. the bereditary material.

Dr Marilyn Roberts and Dr Stauley Fallow, of Seattle University, writing in Nature, and Dr P. F. Sparling and bis colleagues from North Carolina University, writing in Science, now report that this plasmid can be transferred from one conococcus to another when the bacteria mate. The ability to mate is specified by yet another

No one can yet tell how and where the gonococcus first acquired the plasmids specifying mating ability and drugresistance, but evidence shows that it has happened on at least two occasions. The particular gene for penicillin resistance is arone to jump in and out of different plasmids and might have been transferred from the other types of penicillin-resistant bacteria.

It is some comfort for British physicians that although strairs isolated in the Far East and in the United States have all acquired the ability to mate, the British strains have not, and so cannot transfer their drug-resistance to sensitive gonococci or other organisms.

O Nature-Times News Service,

## TUC tells Chancellor prices must be held

By Tim Jones Labour Reporter

The Government was left in no doubt yesterday that it must act to control prices if it is to pave the way for another year of voluntary pay restraint with the TUC. That emerged after four ministers, including the Chancellor of the Exchequer, met the TUC economic committee to discuss many aspects of

economic policy.

After the two-hour meeting, during which he faced strong criticism of the Budget, Mr Healey said: "I am determined rather than confident that there will be a pay policy." He added

that a wage explosion or a free-for-all "would be very dan-gerous for the country".

Mr Len Murray, general sec-retary of the TUC, said agree-ment on another round of pay restraint would be much harder to achieve. He made clear that in the view of the union lenders wage restraint was becoming

less necessary. He said that after two years ot tremengous andbott siten po working people to pay policy, tensions, regidities and anomalies were bound to emerge.
"The longer this sort of thing goes on, the more difficult it becomes and the less necessary

"The future of Britain is not going to be bound by wage restraint. It is going to be hound by economic srowth and in estment." Britain needed public-spirited action by investors and management to help her out of her difficulties. Calling for action on prices, he said: "There are obvious

limits to what 'our members' can be expected to do with prices rising as rapidly as they are." by the union leaders on last and file, month's Budgot. Mr Joseph Our Poli Gormley, president of the MPs from National Union of Mineworkers, diture Co said that "no punches were pulled ".

The committee members said they were worried and dis-appointed that the Budget would raise prices instead of holding down and that it did not provide for enough growth in the economy.

The TUC members made it clear that they do not like the element of "conditionality" in

France

the Budget, which offers tax cuts worth £2.250m if a satistactory agreement can be

Referring to prices. Mr Murray said: "The ball is in the Government's court and we shall have to see if they can kick a few goals.".

On pay policy, he said:
"Wage restraint is not a positive policy; it is a way of avoid-ing some of the extrencies of the economic situation. The question is not whether we can back to collective bargainget back to collective pargaunatible with the continuous struggle against inflction.
"We want an orderly return
to free collective bargaining in

1977. We are looking for agreement, not for aggro, hother or a punch-up. We are not on the road to stage three; what we are doing is continuing the very close discussions we have had with the Government over the

Mr Healey was accompanied at the talks by Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employment; Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Con-sumer Protection, and Mr sumer Protection, and Mi Varley, Secretary of State for Industry. They were left in no doubt

that they will have to strive to meet the TUC's main criticisms if union leaders are to "sell" a third phase of pay restrains to their members.

Although most union leaders still favour some form of wage restraint within the framework of an orderly return to free collective bargaining, they know from hostile conference agenda that they must secure favourable terms from the Government if they are to carry their rank Our Political Staff writes: Six

MPs from the Commons' Expenditure Committee are going to Washington next week to study the way the Congress keeps down public expenditure and the size of the Civil Service. The group wants to see if there are any lessons to be learnt from the Americans that would have application to the Treasury and the Civil Service Department



voungest competitor in the London Primary Schools Chess Association championships at Stockwell yesterday and today.

## Mortgage rate cut likely tomorrow

By Margaret Stone

Most building society leaders believe that a reduction in the mortgage interest rate of at least one point, from 12.25 to 11.25 per cent, will be announ-ced tomorrow. The investment rate is expected to fall from 7.8 per cent to 7 per cent.

Mr Sidney Burton, managing director of the Gateway Build-ing Society, said yesterday that he thought it likely that the Building Societies Association, of which he is a council memhent.
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these levels. Mr Andrew Breach, chairman of the Bristol and

West, took a similar view when to stifle their genuine doubts he spoke at the society's annual that a rate reduction announces-

Mr Burton said that scale would give the societies scope to adjust the rates if interest rates in general rose later in

At their regular monthly meeting with building society leaders yesterday, Treasury and Department of the Environment officials are understood to have made clear that the Govern-ment is expecting reductions in the societys' rates tomorrow.

Against that background, the societies should find it easier

would take at least  $F \in$ to come into effect and longer for those with older morty, a deeds. Thus is seems that the only point left for the societies to debate is the scale of the

.The -societies' fears that net receipts in March would not be much higher than in February have proved well founded, but the picture for April is more encouraging. On present esti-mates it appears that the final figure may be between £300m and £350m net.

# Fiat car chief in

is kidnapped Paris, April 13.-Kidnappers seized Signor Luchiro Revelli-Beaumont, head of the Italian Fiat car firm in France, from outside his home in the six-teenth arrondissement of Paris

Signor Revelli-Beaumont's chauffeur was slightly injured

Signor Revelli-Bestmone, who is 58, is married with two children. He was born in Genoa, and worked as a lawyer there from 1945 to 1957. He joined the Simos car company in 1961. In 1968 he was made Fiat's director of international

He has been director general of Fiat-France since 1974.— Agence France-Presse.

#### Dartmoor officers step up industrial action By Clive Borrell

Prison officers at Dartmoor Prison officers at Distributed, decided yesterday to step up their industrial action by refusing to carry our selected supervisory duties for 48 hours. The decision will mean that the 500 immates will be allowed out of their cells for only an

"We shall go on with this action until the Home Office action in the rome of the agrees to our demands to improve our living conditions in quarters outside the prison a, Mr Bryan Benwell, chairman

The Prison Department has

on insulation and maintenance work in 130 of the quarters, but the prison officers say that at least five times that amount

at least five times that amount is needed.

A local surveyor's report, which is being studied by the Home Office, says that most of the homes, some built last, century, should have been condemned 40 years 250, and are unintabitable.

The 150 staff at Darimoor are also angry with Mr Colin Heald, also angry with Mr Colin Heald, the governor, who on Tuesday sent home 19 prison officers after they had been called in for duty on their rest day.

Mr Heald's decision the staff ray reduced the establishment below the safety manning level and was also a breach of a local agreement.

Crime Correspondent

out of their cells for only an hour a day for exercise.

of the Dartmoor branch of the Prison Officers' Association,

## 250 special units available for disruptive pupils

By Staff Reporters

Teaching units in which dis-ruptive pupils can be isolated are provided by two thirds of education authorities in Engeducation authorities in Eng-land, the Department of Educa-tion and Science disclosed yes-terday. It said that 65 local-education authorities are ad-ministering at least 250 special units for pupils who prove too riolent or disturbed for the ordinary classroom.

for a month. Gits were more subdued Financial Editor: Another attack on the "finsider"; volume comes through at Wilmot Breeden; Blackwood Hodge absorbs Canadian losses
The Peter Lay Thursday Column; Should the Spanish Mondragon workers' cooperative be imported into Britain?
Business feature: Patricia Tisdall The units are either incorporated in schools or are area "educational guidance centres", which offer a teach-ing alternative to children who might otherwise be suspended from school. The total number of puoils in the units is not available, but the size of a detached exclusion centre in Leeds, which holds 20, is Business feature: Patricia Tisdall looks at the booming business in low calorie soft drinks

representative.
School inspectors are viz.
secondary schools to examine
the units, the department added.

Leeds education authorns said resterday that it had no record or knowledge of any of the cases of violence in schools referred to by Miss Essie Codling, a supply teacher in Leeds, at the conference of the National Association of School being only for as long as the school took place within three masters and Union of Women particular difficulty they were months. The teachers had been punched and kicked.

The incidents, reported .... The Times yesterday, included gang warfare at one school a gang warrare ar one school, a boy threatening popils with an airgun and fixing at his head-master, and five girls trying to kill themselves because ... bullying.

The authority said Leeds had a school population of 140,000, and there was no evidence to suggest that pupils there were unusually violent or disruptive. In September, 1975, a detached exclusion centre had been established for the disruptive pupils that there were:

A reporting centre had also

A reporting centre had also been established to which pupils suspended from school had to report each day. Many were given work to do at home. The centres were manned by child psychiatrists and teachers. Both units had achieved good results. A total of 281 pupils had been referred to them since they were opened.

In addition some schools

The dimensions of disruption in schools throughout England are uncertain. In inner London there were 38 cases of asseult on teachers by pupils last year, and 13 have been reported so far this year.

The Inner London Education Authority runs 10 educational guidance centres, where intensive teaching and psychiatric and gives schools a financial incentive to establish "with-drawal units" where necessary.

"The aim of the guidance centres is to avoid suspending children from school", the authority added. "Pupils are usually kept there for a minimum of three months." In June last year 131 secondary pupils in the ILEA area were under

Allegations about indiscipline were made yesterday in a dossier compiled by a friend of a teacher at Sladebrook Comprehensive School, in the had formed their own exclusion London borough of Brent. It is centres within the schools, but alleged that nine attacks by they were usually kept in pupils on teachers at the

Mr Leslie Ford, chairman of the board of governors, said:
"It's a tough school in a tough area. You had to be tough when I was a pupil here and things

have not changed."

He agreed that two teachers had recently had medical treatment after assaults by pupils.

Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, has called for a report on the has asked for a report on the scrioti.

Mr. Terence Casey, general
secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and
Union of Women Teachers, said
the association had compiled

dossiers on three schools with similar disciplinary difficulties, and would publish them if the educational authorities concerned did not carry out an inquiry. "A school can't surrender to the ethic of the street corner", he said.

tion authority recently prepared a report on disruptive pupils. It contained evidence of drinking, gang-violence, extortion, bully-

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In Staffordshire, the educa-

## Northampton Northampton is the major shopping and commercial centre for the area. New offices, factories and sites are available. It has easy access to the M1 motorway and lies midway between London and Birmingham. It's an ideal centre for distribution. Northampton's new employment and residential areas are attractively landscaped. Houses are available for employees of firms moving to the town. Northampton has much more to offer. To find out how much, write to L Austin-Crowe, Chief Estate Surveyor to Northampton Development Corporation, 2-3 Market Square, Northampton NN1 2EN or phone 0604 34734 and ask to speak to him.

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is Dorothy Reynolds

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## Mrs Williams wins an ovation from her severest critics

From Tim Devlin Education Correspondent

of the National Union of Teachers, her severest critics, yesterday, to give her a prolonged critic of my policies whose standing ovation after an emotional end to an address that lasted 75 minutes.

Seldom has a teachers' conference been so hostile to a Labour Government. Seldom has the NUT's annual confer-ence applauded a Secretary of State so loudly. Her speech ranged widely, most of it dry and dull, but it began to enchant the audience as Mrs Williams weighed into the education service's detractors.

First she criticized the much

publicized recent television programme about Faraday School, at Ealing, London. "To those who know little about our schools, and that is a very large proportion of the population, the programme may, alas, have been taken as typical s, she said. But Faraday was not typical. It was in an area with special social difficulties and its staff were entitled to social priority

Referring to the Black Paper published in the week the programme was shown on television, she said it was as usua! heavy with partisan analysis and light on practical solutions, other than turning the clock back to a non-existent golden

A widely distorted and negative view on education was being peddled in some quarters. None of the conclusions of the Bullock report on reading and English, nor increasing examina-tion passes got across "to those whose minds are already made up so that they do not need to be confused with facts".

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ing, assaults, vandalism and knife threats to staff.

Between 1972 and 1975 a total of 238 of the area's 190,000 pupils had been suspended.

Three of the cases mentioned in the report were of a boy who refused to be caned and threatened his head teacher with a knife, of children who

set a booby-trap for their mathe-

matics teacher and followed it with oral abuse, and of three boys who tortured a pupil with

lighted cigarettes.
Mr John Wilson, chairman of

the county's education commit-

tee, said the great majority of children were well behaved.

In Birmingham, after a con-ference three years ago on

She ended her speech almost overcome with emotion as she said she was in her job not for Mrs Willams, Secretary of money or for promotion, but State for Education and Science, roused the annual conference cannot be educated again, she said. "Time lost is time lost for ever. I will always listen to any boys and girls we educate. I am dubious about those critics who use children only for their own ends or to prove their own

> She said her department's highest priority was to maintain the pupil-teacher ratio. Forcing teachers to become redundant was the worst cut that could be made. And she told a press conference later that she would make those views clear to Oxfordshire education authority. which is planning to make more than 500 teachers redundant.

theories."

She paid tribute to the Schools Council, the body set up to give advice on the cur-riculum and examinations, showriculum and examinations, showing that it is back in favour with the Government after being heavily criticized last year. "I share the council's view that a common system of examining at 16 plus is desirable. How far it is practicable is another matter", she said. The recent regional education conferences had shown that enidelines for a general pattern guidelines for a general pattern of the curriculum would be helpful. She was looking for ways of setting up machinery to do that with teachers' assoto do that with teachers' asso-ciations and local education authorities. She was not going to impose a curriculum on schools. Nor, she told reporters later, was she a "front man" for any mandarins at the

Disruptive pupils isolated in special units

behavioural difficulties, five special units, each with 25 places, were established, three

of them for suspended pupils.
All the children there were of secondary school age.
In Nottinghamshire the education authority said that it was difficult to identify disruption.

It had no relevant figures available.

The authority had sent "a behavioural questionnaire" to teachers and was awaiting

Greater Manchester police have compiled figures showing that 476 cases of vandalism in the area's 300 schools last year caused damage estimated at

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## Call to cut leaving age given support

From Bert Lodge, of The Times Educational Supplement,

A move seeking to lower the school-leaving age to 15 was defeated at the annual conference of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers at Torquay yesterday. But nearly half the delegates voted in favour of age reduction for some pupils, on the ground that such children would be able to

complete their final year later. Mr David Crane, of Gillingham, said that for a small, vociferous minority the fabric of the school gave rise to objections. Provided parents and teachers agreed, that minority would be better off out of school. He sought flexibility, as in countries abroad, not

Mr David Davies, of the NAS executive, opposed the idea as a trade unionist. It would mean more teachers unemployed when there were already 20,000 without jobs, he said. The without jobs, he said. The union had said it wanted to care for the disruptive pupils by exclusion from the class-room but not from the entire

Miss S. Jones, of Merseyside, agreed. "If they are to be allowed to leave at 15, why not 14?" she asked. Teachers should seek an educational means of treating difficult pupils. It might mean a revision of treating as the second seek. sion of final-year courses.

The conference agreed that, while teachers ought to be

accountable to parents, employers, and industry, they Department of Education and Science who wished to do so. should remain overseers of the educational system.

caused by fire, and most of the vandalism was outside school hours. In one case, at a

school in Wigan, a fire caused damage estimated at £75,000. Despite those figures head teachers and education officials

in the area say there is com-paratively little trouble and

guidance centres. .

Scottish officials hope to learn in Belfast how an assembly might work

## Pilgrimage to Ulster's old parliament building two-toed

In the past few months Scottish civil servants have been crossing from Edinburgh to Belfast on pilgrimage to the parliament building and the officials who now occupy it.

Although there is no sign that any parliament will sit there soon the experiences of sible for the rown hall in the the past half-century are being examined by those who will Barnsley constituency of Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, and the have to organize assemblies when the issue of devolution is decided. The officials' interest minister is reported to have said that he preferred the Yorkshire building. The building closed as a paris less in the controversies and during the Northern Ireland liament in 1972 when the Briparliament's existence than in the procedures and logistics that tish Government embarked on direct rule. The doors were re-opened in 1973 for the ill-fated kept it and its short-lived suc-

cessors functioning. The five-storey block stands on a hill amid rolling lawns on the outskirts of Belfast, close to Stormont Castle, from which Ulster is now ruled. Commissioned in the 1920s,

after partition, it was to have consisted of a central two-storey building topped with a cupola for the parliament, and two large wings for the civil

blamed by Mr Steel

power workers, who cut off supplies to much of the pro-

But as a result of the slump Convention. That, too, proved briefed has been shut since the in the 1930s the architect's fruitless and again the doors Convention.

The staff in charge of the

hasty changes created the present building with a gloomy library at the back and a cloakroom bathed in sunmasters.

So far the two debating chambers remain untouched. The lower House, which was used by the Assembly and Convention, still has the horse-shoe arrangement of seats intended to encourage the end of partisan politics. That innova-tion was thought up by the Assembly but the strike brought the end of that body before the seating could be installed. Outside the chamber there is

Northern Ireland Assembly and the power-sharing Executive. But the experiment collapsed in 1974 with the Ulster Workers' Council strike, and especially the action of the power workers who can off no sign of the box to which members once put their weapous, issued for self-protection, before taking part in debate. The members' library, with

By Our Labour Reporter
The dispute involving most of the four thousand members of the Amalgameted Union of

is not supported by the union,

springs from a demand made a year ago by shop stewards of the AUEW at Heathrow for

their own bargaining rights out-side the normal forum for pay

National Joint Council for Civil Air Transport, is supported by all 17 unions recognized by the

unions, like the management,

will not recognize any attempt to bargain outside the national

By Our Crime Correspondent

Detectives from Scotland

Yard's anti-terrorist squad were

searching last night for several

men and a woman who are believed to have been involved in

joint council. The stewards a

differentials erosion

Police seek men and woman

in embassy murder hunt

Pay policy 'saboteurs' Airline workers resent

The staff in charge of the new home Today the offices and com- parliamentary side of the mittee rooms have been taken building has sadly dwindled, over by the standing Civil Ser- Several Hansard writers are a cloakroom bathed in sunshine at the front.

The place has been compared unkindly to a Christmas
cake. Its architect was responsible for the rown half in the appointed under the Act that created the Assembly, now spends much of his time on civil service work. No one has bothered to strike i the Act from the statute book, and so he awaits democratic develop-

ments. photograph of the opening of the first Northern Leland Par-liament in 1921, when it sat in were photographed, backs to the camera, Estening to George V calling for all to forgive and forget. Across the room on another wall hangs on artists impression of the scope. With unconscious irony, the artist turbed the heads of the crowd A year later Stormont 27,000 volumes, is largely untured the heads of the crowd became the sent of a fresh used and the small bar at so that instead of watching the experiment with the formation which many a confidence was of the Northern Ireland exchanged and journalists were ing one another, rather adoptly. so that instead of watching the king they are depicted watch-

year ago ignored union advice and withdrew from the local bargaining structure, the Engi-neering and Maintenance National Sectional Panel, and

have unsuccessfully sought to establish negotiating rights. As an additional dlaim the stewards are seeking improve-

ments in payments for shift

The situation has a direct

parallel with the recent action by toolmakers at British Leyland also AUEW members, who

sought the right to conduct

their own pay bargining. The union is clearly unwilling to sanction efforts by individual

groups to negotiate outside the established structures. While sympathetic to the skilled men's

siguments about differentials the union is unable to negotiate a solution because it is bound

by the pay-restraint policy, which it supported.

minster coroner, adjourned an

inquest yesterday until July 13 after hearing evidence of iden-

tification from Mr Ali Ahmed al-Geraffe, first secretary at the

Dr Michael Crompton,

# The Quee sloth finds

The Queen has deposit

London two giant an ove gisot armadillo, of toed sloth and five ton Mr R. B. Willis has ! fieldmouse, and a Ma Ward a chameleon. According to its and fort, the ordinary fort, the ordinary expe of the Zoological Socie over 1976 to £2,735,00 that was somewhat thitig gifts or loans of livest Regent's Park and Wh Zoos, Without the general who for various reasons to hand over an imp slither, fly, swim run, runh be rold flo preciou visitors world have deprived of many exhibit Without Mrs M. Regent's Park would have the contraints of the state Regent's Park would hat one boa constrictor short out Dr Hiddurph the python population would been similarly affecte without Mr. J. Gaspere horoed Carastes viper wo have been adorning it. The zoo has to thank owners for handing in the vipers. Euston station delivering a water snal covered about the premistible RSICA for sending culated python in a thougher that included, pably in separate contain march frogs and a lizard No reasons are given.

No reasons are given it owners decisions to pur these creatures: the i honour in the annual confides itself to nan donces and animals.

It may be that ICI it that there was insuited in the capital from carfish. Martins Aquaritainly became appreisabout heir resident nurse. "They grow to 14ft, and was ind tank available, Martin said. "The zoo w only place that could be One of the biggest came from a fisheries labe at Libwestoft, which do found so many sole craps, prawns and whele total of 88) an embarra-

of/fishes. Paddington Technical C sent four multimammare to help make up for the 1 died in 1976, and a tok its good wishes, the Gl Zoological Society end with compliments, a Bri tree porcupine.

Boys, predictably, make feir number of the d
Master D. Hebblettwaite;

praying mantis, as did 1 P. Butler, who also en two geckos and a bra spiders. Master R. Roe The Zoological Society ca assured of a whole new g

## former Prime Minister of North Yemen, his wife and another diplomat. The murder headquarters at Paddington Green has been inundated with callers and informants after the shooting outside the Royal Lancaster Dr Michael Crompton, a pathologist, said Mr al-Hagri had died from a bullet wound in the brain, his wife from a chest wound, and Mr Hammanni from a bullet wound in the heart. The bodies of all three were flown back to Yemen on Monday and the funeral rook place next day. Police corrupt Metropolitan Police Police in Yemen and Inter-pol are helping Scotland Yard with inquiries. Since the pub-lication on Monday of a Photo-

tive inspector and a f detective inspector were mitted for trial at the C Criminal Court on corre charges from Bow Street ! trates' Court yesterday. Thomas Maxwell, aged Broom Park, Teddington inspector, is charged with ruptly accepting £2,400. inducement to show favo

# Barry Hodge and Edgar ( Kenneth Twiby, aged 37 former inspector, of Go Hill, Chessington, is che with eiding and abening Maxwell.

7.55 pm

Lighting up: 8.25 pm to 5,35 am.

A. NW airstream covers the British Isles. A trough of low pressure will approach NW dis-Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, SW, central S and central N England, Midlands, Channel Islands: Sunny spells, isolated showers: wind NW moderate; max

Wales, NW England, Lake Dis-trict, Isle of Man: Sunny spells, scattered showers; wind NW light

NÉ England. Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee: Sunny intervals, showers, wintry over hills; wind NW, moderate or fresh, locally strong; max temp 8° or 9°C (46° to 48°F).

NW, fresh or strong; max temp 7°C (45°F).

(46° to 48°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:
Sunny intervals, wintry showers;
wind NW, fresh or strong; max
temp 6°C (43°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and
Saturday: Mostly dry, with bright
or sunny intervals in the S and E.

London: Temp: max, 7 am pm, 15°C (59°F); min, 7 pm 7 am, 9°C (48°F). Humidity, 7

38 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 0.08in. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, 5.8 Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 10 millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars=29.55in.

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Government, were patriots. Mr Clive Jenkins, on the other hand, in opposing more wage restraint, must be "struck His attack on Mr Jenkins, leader of the Association of Scientific, Technical, and Managerial Staffs, came in a speech supporting the idea of "kitty bargaining", which has been aired by ministers and which he described as much closer to Liberal ideas than any previous price and income policy.

Mr David Steel, the Liberal

leader, told the Grimsby elec-tors last night that the Liber-als, in cooperating with the

price and income policy. "We are in a state of war against the evil of inflation", he said. "In that war we have to strike down the saboteurs, the people like Mr Clive Jenkins, who will cheerfully argue for paying the members of his union 30 per cent more. That is the road to ruin, especially for those unable to join the fun of his rat race; the pensioners and the jobless."

violence during school hours.
What difficulties there were
were being handled by two
special units isolated from
schools, 10 "withdrawal sanctuaries" in schools, and tutorial
units attached to five child-Mr Jenkins, with such right-wingers as Mr Enoch Powell, once a Conservative, and Sir Of the 100,900 pupils in the Manchester district, only about a hundred are in the units at Keith Joseph, now on the Tory front bench, were united in a a hundred are in the units at new "grab-what-you-can" philany one time.

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new "grab-what-you-can" philany one time.

coophy, he said. It had nothing to do with Liberalism and little.

Stream conservatism.
While others shouted from the sidelines, Liberals were willing to support practical solutions to national difficul-

or the Amalgameted Union of Engineering Workers employed by British Airways represents the bitterness felt by skilled workers at the erosion of traditional pay differentials over the unskilled and semi-skilled. The industrial action, which is not supported by the union "What we require if we are to get out of our national diffi-culties of unemployment and inflation is a new patriotism. I am not talking of a retreat to jingoism, but of a willingness to place the national interest above party or sectional

"That is the motivation for the Liberal Party's agreement with the Government. We have simply got to get through the next few months with a new pay restraint deal and new controls airline.
The AUEW and the other on price increases."

Liberals are hoping at least to hold on to their 47 council seats in the big metropolitan counties, the party announced yesterday in advance of next mouth's English local govern-ment elections.

They are hopeful of gaining the balance of power at Mersey-

They hope to gain the balance of power at Merseyside, to gain a few more seats in the Isle of Wight, and to hold their ground against the Conservatives in Devon. Elsewhere they are putting up 1,500 candidates, half as many again as in 1973.

# Minister urges

Mr William Price, MP for Rugby and Parliamentary Sec-retary, Privy Council Office, called yesterday for a campaign

called yesterday for a campaign of non-cooperation against the Severn-Trent Water Authority.

Last week he demanded the dismissal of senior officials of the authority after ratepayers had received demands for payment within 48 hours.

Mr Price said: "I am asking nobody to break the law; just to be as bloody minded as the highly paid officials who are supposed to run this embority. I urge every constituent to wait

I urge every constituent to wait until the last minute to pay. I can guarantee that few will be later than I cm. The authority can expect in future the sort of disregard it shows to its customers."

#### Leader fails in Birmingham chess contest From Harry Golombek

## Solicitors to be

## defiance of water authority From Our Correspondent

ending.
Gasic adjourned against Soos in a position in which the latter had a shade the better game. Rukavina and Basman had a stern struggle, which was adjourned at an approximately level position and kagan had an adjourned position against Lambert in which the Israeli master was material to the bad. Poyah and Botterill drew a felirly abort same.

## struck off

The Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal in London yesterday ordered the names of Mr Francis Augustine John O'Shea and Mr Michael Kenyon Taylor be struck off the roll of solicitors. Mr O'Shea, of Chigwell Road, Woodford Bridge, Essex, and Mr Taylor, of Long Street, Middleton, Manchester, were both held to have used clients' noney for their twa purposes. money for their own purposes. Each has 14 days to lodge notice

#### questioned as a result of in-formation passed to the police. Mr Gavin Thurston, the West-Tape-recording ban The town council at East

Hotel, Bayswater, of Mr al-Qadi Abdulla al-Hajri, his wife, Fatimah, aged 40, and Mr Abdallah al-Hammani, aged 42,

minister plenipotentiary at the Yemen Arab Republic Embassy

Grinstead, Sussex, has banned the public from tape-recording its meetings, because of fears

#### Forest fire

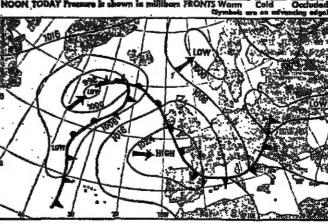
Two and a half acres of forest was destroyed by fire at Berriew, near Welshpool, yesterday. The trees, Norway spruce and larch, were owned by Colonel J. L. Corbett-Winder.

fit picture of the gumman more

than a dozen people have been

## that tapes might be edited and their contents distorted.

## Weather forecast and recordings



Today

New moon : April 18.

High water: London Bridge, 11.49 am, 6.3m (20.8ft). Avonmouth, 5.18 am, 11.4m (37.5ft); 5.46 pm, 11.6m (388t). Dover, 9.19 am, 5.7m (18.7ft); 9.40 pm, 5.8m (19.2ft). Hull, 4.11 am, 6.2m (20.3ft); 4.24 pm, 6.3m (20.6ft). Liverpool, 9.24 am, 8.2m (26.8ft); 10.2 pm, 8.2m (26.8ft); 10.2 pm, 8.2m

stemp 13° or 14°C (55° to 57°F).
SE and E England, East Anglia:
Sumy intervals, scattered showers; wind NW moderate or

but occasional rain or drizzl the NW; becoming warm gr Sea passages: 5 North
Strait of Dover: Wind NW six
decreasing moderate or fresh
rough, decreasing slight.
English Channel (E), St Geol
Channel: Wind NW fresh,
creasing moderate; sea mode Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray Firth: Sunny intervals, showers, wintry over hills; wind decreasing slight.

Irish Sea: Wind NW str
decreasing fresh, backing W;

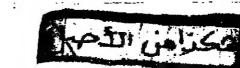
7°C (45°F).

SW and NW Scotland, Glasgow,
Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny spells,
scattered showers dying out, becoming cloudy, perhaps rain later;
wind NW backing later; moderate
or fresh; max temp 3° or 9°C
(46° to 48°F).

NE Scotland Origins Shoulded

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, drizzle :

## The most flexible of the big five banks A member of the National and Commercial Banking Group and one of the Inter-Alpha Group of Banks



# new hon return for traffic rise

Transport Correspondent British Rail will undertake to nest will provide policies designed to attract more traffic, Mr Peter Parker, its chairman, says in the latter issue of Railway Gazette Inter-national, published yesterday.

Sur he emphasizes that the railways can be saved only through agreement with tid unions to change the rules of the game so that more efficient methods of operating the rail-way can be introduced." Mr Parker says he does not seek confrontation with the

seek confrontation with the unions, who have helped to achieve recent economies. But he has to "expose the logic of our situation so that the unions can form their own judgment as to where the long-term interests of their members tie"

slowing and faster trains on the way, rail traffic night rise by three fifths by the end of the century, particularly bn longer

routes. Mr Parker suggests that the Government might abolish road tax on cars and collect road tax on cars and collect the revenue through increased petrol duty, reducing the gap between the perceived cost of public and private transport without adding to inflation.

The heaviest lorries, the railways' main competitors, are paying about £5,000 a year less than their true track costs, Mr Parker suggested. If longer-distance bulk freight increases by half by the and of the century.

half by the end of the century, British Railf ought to be able to take a third of long-distance lorry traffic off the roads.

British Rhil finances and pas-senger traffic are improving, Mr Parker discloses, with a 6 per cent rise in passenger milage from the low after big fare rises lost summer. But improved fin-

A railway which is carrying of their members he."

Scope for greater productivity is "so great that we scarcely have the measure of it", he says.

With the increase in car use slowing and faster trains on the being allowed to rot in the hope way, rail traffic might rise by that public opposition to closure will fade away ", he con-

## Record number likely to fight county elections

Local Government

Nominations closed yesterday for the elections of county councils in England and Wales. including the Greater London Council Polling day is May 5, and a record number of candidates is likely.

The final tally will not be known until after Saturday, after which candidates may not withdraw their names, but in London the number of candidates for the GLC election is likely to exceed the 1970 total of 491, the previous highest. Throughout the country the Liberals are fielding more candidates than ever before The counties are voting for the first time since 1973, when local government reorganization created the six metropolitad counties and recast the 39 English and eight Welsh ones. The GLC, too, is having its first election since 1973. This year sees the final disappearance of idermen from the authority. Aldermen disappeared elsewhere at the time of reorganization, and now only the City of London keeps that ancient

The 4.401 seats being fought are made up of 92 in London, 501 in the ... metropolitan counties 3.129 in the non-metropolitaz counties in England, and 579 in Wales.

In Greater London, which the Conservatives seem likely to nominated: 92 Labour, 92 Con-National Front, 25 Communist and 84 others, including 30 standing for the campaign to abolish the GLC.

The Liberals are putting more than 1,500 candidates into the field, hal fas many again as in 1973. They hold 47 sears at present in the metropolitan countles, and two on the GLC. Showing more optimism than its latest parliamentary by-elction results might seem to justify, the party is looking for gains in Tyne and Wear and South Yorkshire, where it has made progress in local elections. Overall it hopes at least to maintain its present level of representation, with the possibility of holding the balance of power on several authorities, especially Merseyside, where it has just gained a ceat at a district council by election in the Wirral.

As usual, a wide range of parties and candidates intend to make their presence felt. In Humberside, ratepayer's candidates, a communist, socialists against cuts, democratic labour an othe National Front join the main parties in fighting the

## Police corrup Strong challenge for a Labour heartland

have changed dramatically in the past few years as Labour's rock has been eroded by nationalist and conservative ides in parliamentary and ocal elections. For the county council elections on May 5 the Conservatives and Plaid Cymru are strongly increasing their candidate forces and Labour knows it will have to fight hard to keep what it has.

As nominations closed yesterday, and campaigning begun in earnest it became clear that in earnest, it became clear that Labour will be under acute pressure in its South Wales heartland, Gwent and Glamorgan, where three fifths of Welsh voters live. Conservatives and Plaid Cymru hope to capitalize on last year's town hall elections, which they regarded as the crucking of the Labour dam. They now hope to burst it.

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the Labour dam.

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This will be the hardest of fought of any county election tampaign. There are 578 sents in the eight counties, and more than 1,300 candidates. In the rural counties, Powys, mainly rural councies,
Gwynedd, Dyfed and Powys,
the tradition of people standing as independents and not
declaring political colour is
still strong but not as strong

Increasingly, politics in rural Wales are becoming organized more on party lines and the number of independents standing this time, more than 350, is about 50 fewer than in 1973. In Gwynedd for example, where there was only one can-didate on the Conservative

time.
Labour, which holds 293 of the 578 county seats, is fielding 406 candidates overall, compared with 445 in 1973; the Conservatives, who have 75 seats, are fielding 258, compared with 147; Plaid Cymru, which has 22 seats, fields 220 compared with 99 three years ago; and the Liberals, who have 20 seats, are putting up about fifty candidates.

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The really hot battles will be in the south, where Labour's control of Gwent, Mid-Glamorgan, South Glamorgan and West Glamorgan will be strongly challenged. Labour was well satisfied with the 1973 results, especially its winning of South Glamorgan, which is essentially Greater

This time, however, Labour will be lucky to keep South Glamorgan. The Conservatives are fighting all 80 scats and confidently expect to win. They also expect to take control in Clwyd and to become the largest single group in Gwent.

Gwent.
Much attention will be paid
to the struggle in Mid-Glamorgan, where Labour has 62 of
the 35 seats. Plaid Cymru,
which has 12 seats, is contestwhich has 12 seats, is making ing 82. Indeed, it is making the biggest effort of the election in this county and has unblished a Mid-Glamorgan

The Conservatives, heartened by some success in the town half elections in Mid-Glamor-gan last May, are putting up 43 candidates, compared with

## TO BE WON!

**NewZealand** Silver Jubilee Dollars



Coins & Medals, May issue, offers eleven as prizes in a competition quiz. It also features a background to New Zealand coinage, leading coin & medals designer James Berry, 50 cent coins from the Pacific area. Plus. investment advice and market guide etc.

MAY ISSUE OUTNOW

# fresh meat'

By Hugh Clayton
Animal lovers complained
yesterday that horsemeat is
being served in British cafés as
demand for it rises sharply at
home and overseas. The Heavy
Horse Protection Society Field

home and overseas. The Heavy Horse Protection Society said:
"Horsement is regularly served in transport cafes as fresh meat"
Mr Roger Hooper, treasurer of the society, said: "Our supporters have followed ir from the sbattoirs in their cars to transport cafes. "Heavy horses are tuose of the hard-working breeds, such as Clydesdale and Shire, which are used mainly for caravans and brewers' drays."

Horses sold for human con-sumption might ferch £400, compared with only £20 for those destined for dog foor, Mr Hooper said. This is a real temptation to economy-nit farmers", he said. "A Con-tinental ring of horsemear tinental ring of horsemeat dealers has opened three abar-toirs to Concinental standards in this country and they are horses ar tremendous The Meat and Livestock

exports of horsemeat from Britain to the rest of the EEC rose from 1,381 mons in 1975 to 4,507 tons, valued at more than 53m, last year. Four or five animals make up a ton
The top price for a horse at
a sale in the North of England
was £328 last week, Mrs Dorothy Cope, chairman of the
northern branch of the Society for the Humane Disposal of Surplus Ponies, said yesterday.

Commission said yesterday that

## Action sought on disturbed young

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent Government action to ensure that facilities for disturbed adolescents are better used was demanded yesterday after a dis-closure in *The Times* that a girl aged 13 is being treated in a private psychiatric hospital be-cause no public place will take

ner. Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, Labour MP for Ormskirk, is writing to Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, calling for for Social Services, calling for action in three areas. He wants Mr Ennals to stop community home heads refusing to take difficult adolescents, and to press psychiatrists to be more willing to accept them in specialized adolescent units. He also wants the Government to provide more money for secure units in community homes "Of course there are gaps in dealing with particularly difficult children, but we have

Hospital dispute over domestic rotas is settled From Our Correspondent

A Surrey hospital dispute over 32 domestic staff who were suspended on full pay after a strike was settled yesterday. Management and officials of the Transport and General Workers' Union at the Manor Hospital, Epsom, accepted the recom-mendation of the official mediator, Mr George Bain, that staff should accept rotas drawn up by the management, but with agreed variations. Trouble arose when the staff, mostly Spanish, refused to accept the rotas because they interfered with home arrange-

only just made a start on pro-viding places as a result of the pressure to get them out of prisons and adult wards in psychiatric hospitals". Mr Kilrov-Silk said. "This girl would benefic if secure units in community homes were obliged to take the more difficult ones. Children who were easier to handle might then be allowed home or into fosterhomes to make way for them.

Mr Christopher Andrews, general secretary of the British Association of Social Workers, pointed our yesterday that should have been accom-modated in a community home

modated in a community home or an adolescent unit, but it is preferable that she is in a private hospital than that she should have ended up in Holloway or Broadmoor."

The St Charles Youth Treatment Centre, an experimental and specialized unit at Brentwood, Essex, run by the Department of Health and Social Security, is not willing to take her for at least eight months.

Mr David Larter, vice-chairman of the Essex branch of the British Association of Social Workers, yesterday cast dount on the effectiveness of such intensive and costly units. He said a girl of 13 and a boy of 15 had speut some time at St

## day that 26 projects, providing 212 more places in secure units in community homes, had been approved under its special allocation of £2m. Women 'wrongly blamed for job difficulties?

By a Staff Reporter

Women are in danger of being made the scapegoars for the country's present employment difficulties, Lady Howe, deputy chairman of the Equal Opportunities Commission, told the Institute of Employment Consultants in London last

She said statistics were some times used to show that women were taking men's jobs or had an increasing and higher unem-ployment rate. The truth probably was that more women wanted or had to work, and, in spite of alarming stories

about their being more expensive to employ, female employees were not suffering especially from the economic

But Mr Kilroy-Silk suggested that less-disturbed children would benefit if secure units

pointed our yesterday that treatment in specialized units for disturbed adolescents was more expensive than in the pri-

vate hospital where the girl was

The Department of He is and Social Security said yester

being treated.

More women were registering for employment and more were employed in production industries in January this year compared with last.

Lady Howe said: "Women are an increasing part of the workforce, and every time agencies fall into the trap of mentally labelling a job a man's job or a woman's job they are excluding helf the population and denying the company access to the best employees." company access to employees."

## Anti-communist on Rhodesia charges

From Our Correspondent. St Albans

Roy Dovaston tried to recruit people to emigrate to Rhodesia to fight communism, it was alleged at St Albans Crown Court yesterday.

A dedicated anti-communist

and supporter of the Ian Smith regime, Mr Dovaston advertised for people in local and national newspapers, it was stated. People answering the advertisements had to join his movement and fill in migration forms, breaking the Southern Rhodesia Act, 1965.

Mr Dovaston, aged 36, of Downfield Road, Herrford Hearh, pleaded not guilty to six charges of promoting emigra-tion to Rhodesia between March and April, 1976.

Mr Leo Charles, for the prosecution, said that shortly after Rhodesia declared her-self independent Britain passed a law banning people from en-couraging or soliciting others to emigrate there.

Mr Dovaston, the leader of the World Deed A Day Move-ment, was a confirmed believer that the "cancerous growth" of communism was on the ramp age, and that Mr Ian Smith was one of its leading oppon-ents in the Western world. In 1976 he advertised in newspapers for men and women seeking jobs. Many people answered the advertisements and attended meetings at hotels in London, where they com-pleted forms declaring that they wanted to leave the country. They also had to pay £3 to be-

come a member of the move-

Mr Charles said that after-wards they received official

Rhodesian immigration forms which they completed and sent to the Rhodesian immigration board.

Mr Charles said: defendant was a dedicated sup-porter of Rhodesia and wished to send people out there. The reason for sending them was to reinforce the people involved

in combating communism in that country." Mr Charles said police officers went to some of Mr Dovaston's meetings and took possession of documents. Mr Dovaston told them he had been in touch with Mr Ian Smith and other people. He had letters from Riodesia and from Mr Ian Smith's principal private secretary, counsel said.

In the letters Mr Dovaston sent to Mr Smith he described seut to Mr Smith he described what he was doing and told him not to give in to a majority rule, as it would "be the straw that would break the back of freedom". He also said he had several hundred applicants and wanted 30 planeloads of immigrants, Mr Charles said.

Mr Michael Bryksfield, of Mr Michael Burksfield, of Shakespeare Road, Ruislip, told the court: "I had no clear idea where the job was when I answered the advertisement. Dovaston told me it was Rhodesia. I had no doubt the fiso a week would be for mili-tary employment and I was given recruiting literature for the Rhodesian army and a book-ler about life in the armed

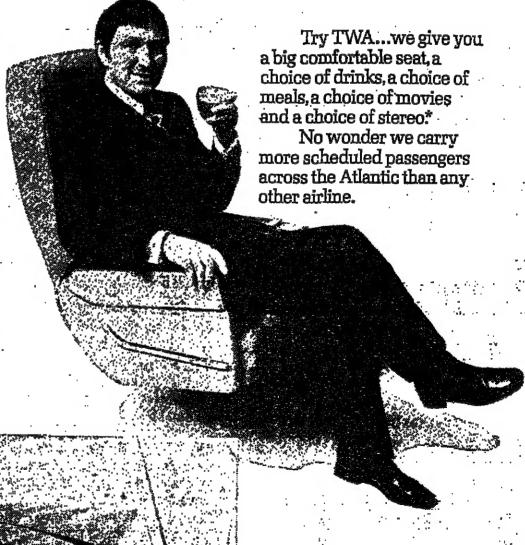
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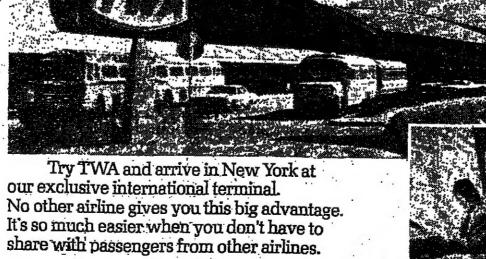
Dovaston said it was illegal
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casualties last year

By Our Transport Correspondent

Road traffic increased by 4 per cent last year despite the rise in fuel prices and the recession, provisional figures from the Department of Transport yesterday show. Road casualties rose by 41 per cent to 6,600 killed and 334,000 injured, after falling in 1975.

Both traffic and casualties increased more in country than in urban areas. Away from towns, traffic rose by 5 per cent and casualties by 7 per cent; in towns, the increases were 3 and 4 per cent Drivers blamed: A survey of motor cycle accidents by West Midlands police showed that many car drivers had been involved in collisions without ever seeing the motor cycles (a Staff Reporter writes). Chief Inspector Thomas Pritchard, the force's road safety officer, said yesterday: "I think that many drivers subconsciously look for lorries, cars and buses, but forget about motor cycles."

A study of 160 accidents in

April last year showed that car or van drivers were to blame for 65 of them. In 28 the cause was that a driver had pulled out of a lefthand junction into the path of a motorcycle. In almost all cases the motorist had stopped but had failed to see the motor cyclist.

Mr Pritchard found that

motor cyclists were at least partly to blame for 70 accidents, usually because their machines ran into the backs of other relicles.

Bogyman of student revolt sees information men at heart of economy

Social theorist and revisionist at the LSE

Unknown to most of them, the turbulent students of the London School of Economics now have in their midst one of the great bogymen of 1960s student radicalism, Professor Daniel Bell, the Harvard social

Professor Bell, aged 57, on a year's sabbenical leave in Britain, wrote a revisionist tract with the provocative title End of Ideology in 1960. He later aggravated the offence by arguing that both capitalist West and socialist East were part of "post-industrial society" to explain that the old schemes of Marxism were largely redun-

Professor Bell, drawing on contemporary American socio-logy and a line of global thinkers going back to de Tocqueville, argued as follows. The advanced countries of the world with the United States at their head are becoming post-industrial. Instead of production workers, the key social groups are now the whitecollar administrative class, profes-sionals, and providers of ser-vices such as banking, communications, health and education.

Professor Bell sees newly raised cohorts of information processers—clerks, computer processers—clerks, computer operators, teachers, aircraft light controllers, whose job it is to handle not people or things but information—at the heart of the modern economy. Even in agriculture in the United States a growing propor-tion of the labour force do not farm but punch buttons to analyse soil and produce com-puter forecasts of yields. In

other words, they deal in know-

Scarcity of goods gives way to scarcity of information, We depend more and more on specialists, mediators to strain and relay knowledge to us. Social leadership moves into the hands of the workers by brain and the organization of science and knowledge becomes a central political issue. The university and the scientific research institute are thrust into the front line of social change.

The new formation needs new concepts which Professor Bell, in his book The Coming of Post-Industrial Society (Heinsmann. 1974) sets out to supply. He speaks of the new "knowledge class", intellectual technology. He advocates a revision of our system of national accounting based on notions such as gross national product: it misses the vast growth of services outside the market in what he calls the "public household" and the puone nousenold and the grosion of the boundary between public and private.

The new society needs new rules of conduct, and here Professor Bell takes issue with the late Archang Challed a friend

late Anthony Crosland, a friend of his for 25 years. Crosland and the socialists believed that and the socialists believed that once material scarcity was conquered problems of how goods and services should be distributed resolved themselves. No, Professor Bell says, questions of relative rewards will always be pressing especially in a collectivist state. What rules say how much more to pay the say how much more to pay the professor above the lecturer, the doctor above the nurse New scarcities take the place of

Professor Bell argues that the The left misunderstood Pro-

needs new rules.

fessor Bell as an apologist for

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society are in danger of getting out of phase with social and economic developments. A spur to his thinking in the 1960s was undoubtedly the student re-volt. That shock to the American academic frame produced consuming need to explain how, as one of Professor Kell's sociological colleagues put it, academics had come to be theorizing within earshot of In another book, The Cultural

Contradictions of Capitalism, Professor Bell sees the student movement as part of a wider movement in cultural life autagonistic to the demands of production and investment, Modern progressives are laisser-faire in morale but earnessly collectivist in organizing eco-nomic life. That discrepancy has been part of industrial Professor Bell: new society society since the nineteenth century, when Baudelaire and the art-for-art's sake school led social stability and consensus. His thinking matured during the "adversary culture". Less a social forecaster than

a thinker able to view society with that peculiar detachment vouchsafed to Jewish intellectuals. Professor Bell views Britain's future bleakly. On one level Britain's problems are shared: the Chancellor faces exactly the same issues as Mr Gierek, the Polish leader.

On another level there are

The End of Ideology signalled the exhaustion of the debate with Marxism that had preoccupied so many of Professor Bell's contemporaries since the 1930s, among them Melvin Lasky and Irving Kristol. Postingustrial society demanded not On another level there are alarming parallels with the 1920s and 1930s, Professor Bell says. No majority government, the unemployment of large numbers of the educated class, terrorism, and inflation threaten the contemploy with features. industrial society demanded not only a new critical appreciation the country with fragmentation and the "politics of irration-ality". Even in the post-indus-trial society, ideology is not dead. but a theory able to encompass the social evolution of the col-lectivist states.

Judge questions use of short/sentences

sentences would require prison congestion. Such sequences provided little opportunity for taking remedial measures or treating offenders.

Writing in Sacro Bulletin, a publication of the Scottish Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, he said that the division of opinion about methods of deterring criminals meant that in many cases the only practicable and possible penalty was incarcera-

for whom the only practicable, and frequently practical, treatment is segregation from a society on which they will otherwise continue to prey.

"There is serious doubt, however, whether the investigation of

A Scottish judge yesterday short prison sentences achieves questioned the value of short any very useful objective prison sentences and called for, especially reformative, while short-sentence prisoned congest the prisons and provide from in the number of short effective application of resentences would regime prison. medial/sneasures, or treatment of offenders?

He suggested that community service might point the way to a better method of dealing with mindr delinquents. Community service is not an alternative senience in Scotland at present

lord Cameron said invisionment as a sanction against the non-payment of fines added, "and in a sense use essly", to the prison population. It might be worth considering legal measures to allow the attachment of income until a fine was ment of income uptil a fine was

He suggested that the number of prisoners might also be reduced by limiting the period otherwise continue to frey.

'There is serious doubt, how-by reducing the number he'd ever, whether the imposition of in custody before trial.

## 'Immediate jail' warning to football hooligans

Anyone convicted of possessing an offensive weapon at a football match, even for the football match, even for the first time, would go to prison straight away. Sir Lincoln Haliman, the South Glambrgan magistrate, said at Cardiff Magistrates' Court yestediay.

He sentenced Paul William Connally, aged 17, of Contegner Pontypridd, to 28 days' imprisonment for using threatening behaviour and having a lump of rock at the FA Cuptie match between Cardiff City and Everton at Cardiff in

Edward Christian, aged 18, of Cardiff, was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment for having half a brick under his jacket after the same match.

John fillis, aged 20. of Gravesend Kent, was sent to prison for 14 days for using threatening behaviour at the match between Cardiff City and Chelsea last month.

Sir Livcoln said: "It has got to be seen in this city tost people who behave like this will

people who behave like this will be punished at once. I make it quite clear that anyone who comes before this court for being in possession of an offensive whapon, even for the first time, vill go to prison straight away." Letters, page 13

By a Staff Reporter

The head of a curprice conveyancing firm is seeking to overcome a decision that he must pay more than £2,000 costs for a two-day magistrates court

hearing.
Mr John Watson, chairman
of The Homes Organization and or The Homes Organization and a leading campaigner against the monopoly of conveyancing by solicitors, is applying to the High Court for leave to issue a writ of certiorari against the magistrates at Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire, with a view to getting the order for costs quashed.

quashed. He had taken to court a solicitor's clerk, who he maintained had acted illegally by carrying out a conveyance while unquali-fied. Mr Watson has long protested that solicitors have no special right to do conveyance special right to do conveyancing, because most of the workis carried out by clerks.

The case was dismissed. Mr.

Vatson said it was admitted in
Court that the Law Society had
Simpson Road, Millwall, Loutaken over the case on behalf

court that the Law Society had taken over the case on behalf of the clerk, and had instructed its own solicitors and a QC and junior counsel.

On March 25 the magistrates made are poder for course. On March 25 the magistrates made an order for citsts against Mr Watson for £2,084.70. He said the costs were excessive because the Law Society had taken over the case in the interests of the whole legal profession. There was never any obligation on the part of the solicitor's clerk to pay the costs the Law Society had incurred in the interests of its solicitor members.

Since there was no provision for an appeal against an order in a case of that sort, he was applying to the High Court.

In brief Strict security wing reopens

The maximum security wing of Parkhurst prison, Is'e of Wiggs, which was closed five months ago after a security failure has reopened and seven of Britain's most dangerors prisoners were back in their cells yesterday.

Improvements to security include the strengthening of perimeter fences and reorganization of alarm devices at a cost of

Dinghy rescue in Atlantic Two Denish fishermen were rescued vesterday after drifting

for 12 hours in a rubber dingly in an Adaptic gale.
Their outboard motor failed after they had left their vessel to visit St Kilda, and they were

don the British light middleweight boxing champion, was conditionally discharged for two years at Snaresbrock Crown Court, London, yesterday, when he admitted dishonestly bandling five tyres and wheels and nine bair dryers.

£24,000 tax waiver The customs and excise has decided to waive £24,000 in duty and value-added tax on two fighter aircraft that the United States Air Force is giving to a

museum at Newark, Notting-hamshire. The museum has been classed as a charity after protests from the Americans. Closed shop threatens free

expression, publishers say

Air Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, who is to draw up a charter for press freedom after the failure of the news based on the editoric based on the control of the paper industry to agree on one, has been told by publishers that journalists' closed shops would restrict access to the press and

freedom of expres The worning is included in t memorandum submitted by the Newspaper Society, which represents the publishers of 1,200 newspapers in England and Wales. The society took part in discussions with newspaper proprietors, editors and journalists who attempted to compile a charter, but only three of seven clauses com-manded complete agreement.

The society was the only group among those who voted

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opposition.

It says the society's conviction about the consequences of the editorial closed shop is based on recent experience of cases in which a journalist' union has sought to influence the contents of newspapers for reasons other than the union's industried aspirations.

The need for a charter on freedom of the press was set out in the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Amendment) Act, 1976, after strong opposition from editors and others to the original Act in 1974 which was intended to restore union rights to negotiate closed shop) agreements, among other things.

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The newspaper industry was given a year to reach agreement of the charter. In the event of the charter, the charter of the charter of the charter. group among those who voted on a charter. In the event of object to a clause stating that journalists' unions should be account of any agreement free to negotiate membership reached by participants in the agreements with employers. The charter talks.

£100m on Scot housing aid

Mr Hugh Brown, Under-Secretary of State, Scottish Office, with responsibility for housing, said yesterday that he was authorizing the Scottish Special Housing Association to build three thousand more houses to help local authorities burdened with unsatisfactory housing. Together with authori zation over the past two years

restment of nearly £100m. Mr Brown, speaking at Falkirk, said the programme included 1,500 houses for Glasgow, 300 for Edinburgh, 200 each for Dundee and Aberdeen and 50 each for West Lothian and Falkirk.

for five thousand houses that represented Government in

Child killed by falling wall Mathew Howard, aged siz-

was killed and his twin brother Miles was injured yesterday when a wall fell on them. They were playing a chapel opposite their home at Great Hockham. Norfolk. The chapel was being repaired.

Boy on murder charge A boy, aged 13, appeared efore a special court at Colchester yesterday, accused of murdering Marie Peck, aged 11. of Heather Green Drive, Colchester. He was remanded in custody to a children's home.

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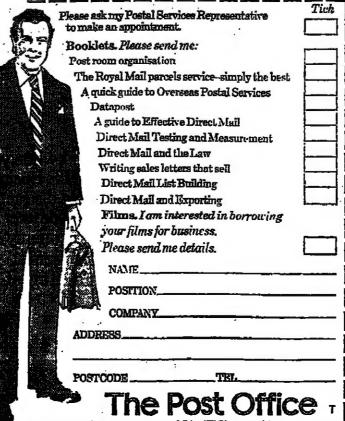
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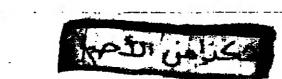
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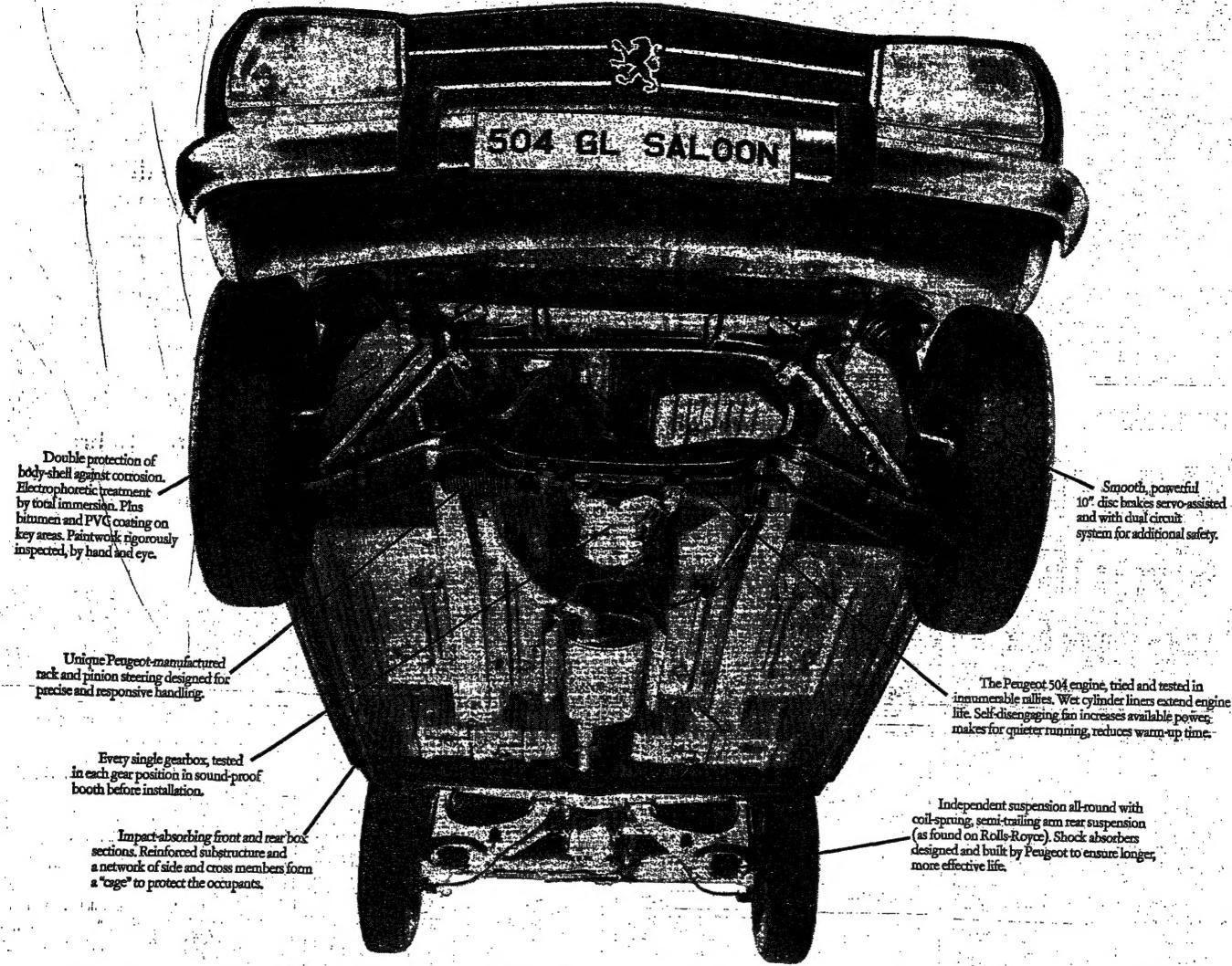
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# From 'hell's kitchen' to affluence

By Roger Berthoud
Mr Harold Robbins, who is
American and probably the
highest paid author in history, is in London to launch the paperback version (one million copies already printed) of The

Lonely Lady.
This "searing, poignant"
novel was inspired by the shattering effect of success on Grace Metalious, the late author of Peyton Place. About 3,750,000 copies have been sold in the United States in four weeks, a record even for Mr

He is the leading example of the type of author despised and ignored by critics but loved by readers all over the world, even in communist Europe. With global sales of his works with global sales of his works reckoned now to exceed 150 million copies, he can afford to be philosophical, even if nor happy about the crivics' blind spot. "I have survived them all" he said in an interview in his suite at the Savoy Hotel. In theory there is something thoroughly dislikable about Mr Robbins's flasby life-style, his literary preoccupation with Robbins's flashy life-style, his literary preoccupation with sex, money and power, and his dismally flat and lifeless prose. But the spinner of words and money is disarmingly open about his desire for success. He enjoys his riches, but for happiness he looks to his wife and two daughters.

rerhaps the greatest inspira-tion in his life, he thinks, was when he, an orphan reared in the "hell's kitchen" district of New York during the depres-sion, saw the local gangsters with their Cartier watches help-ing gorgeous blondes into great New York during the depression, saw the local gangsters reckons he has paid \$3m (about eight or nine years, and he with their Cartier watches helping gorgeous blondes into great black cars. "I used to say: books by other authors that seem to identify with the difficult of the watches helping gorgeous blondes into great black cars. "I used to say: books by other authors that seem to identify with the difficult of the watches and the says are authors that seem to identify with the difficult of the watches and the says are also as a say to say the says are also as a say to say the says are also as a say to say the says are also as a say to say the say are a say as a say to say the say are a say as a say a sa



Mr Robbins: "one great cause is leading a selfish

the time I got to be old enough they had repealed prohibition, and I decided I might have to go to work." He had made and lost \$1.5m (about £877,000) in the food business before he was but after various formative vicissitudes rose to be a vice-president of Universal Pictures. He took to writing after bet-Universal's story editor

particular book of mine": his cotund agent and lawyer Paul Gitlin mentions Dr Spock, Jacqueline Susann and Mario Puzo. "But I do it every time", Mr Robbins says triumphantly. He is 60, although he looks less: a smallish, slim man with

thin dark hair and slightly sad brown eyes. He was wearing faded jeans and a pale blue sweater, and complaining of gout and indigestion. He has a large house in Beverly Hills, California, and another between Cannes and Grasse in the south of France, with a £250,000 yacht at Cannes. His cars, he admits, are "static" at a round dozen: six in France and six in the United States—or is it seven in France and five in the United States? That's right, we have a car for the boat in France. "My one great cause is lead-ing a selfish life", he says with

Mr Gitlin interjects: "Mr Robbins is very generous. You know the magic words cash flow?? There are times of the year when he can be generous, and he is." The author of The Carpetbaggers points out with pride that his wife, Grace, is president of an orphanage in France and has helped to build it up from 25 to 125 children and furnish it with a farm and a school; and in California supports a school for dyslexic chil-

Mr Robbins does not know why he has succeeded where his many imitators have failed. His That is the way to go.' But by come up and do as well as a culties of his characters.

Communists call off WHO pinning hopes on human diploid vaccine rally as generals accept party's legality

From Our Correspondent Madrid, April 13

WEST EUROPE

Spain's Army generals have told the Government that they accept the legalization of the Communist Party (PCE) with a certain revulsion" and gave a veiled warning that they might not go along with any more such extreme steps towards democratic reform.

A summary of their decision, hammered out at a meeting here last night, and broadcast tonight on Radio Nacional, said the generals accepted this fait accompli out of a "spirit of programmer of the second of the se patriotism and duty towards the Fatherland ". The High Council of the

Army also reiterated its deter-mination to "defend the unity of the Fatherland, the flag, his Majesty the King and the dig-nity and unity of the Army". In an apparent response to this, the Communist Party today called off a rally, originally scheduled to take place next Sunday, to protest against signs of unrest among top military men and the resignation of the Navy Minister over the legalization of the party.

A party spokesman said mat the rally was postponed for technical reasons, for it is hard to find a place big enough to hold the 250,000 people we ex-nert to attend? pect to attend". The Spanish press is following with concern the proposed rally and other events—such as

the anniversary tomorrow of the founding of the ill-fated Spanish Republic and a massive workers' demonstration called believed by the trade unions for Friday, stay on.

ted Madrid evening newspaper Informacionès said today: "It seems certain that it is precisely the PCE which is trying to keep these events from getting out of hand. There is a risk that professional agitators will take advantage of the occasion. The democratic forces are expected to try to put on the brakes

to stop any excess."
Opposition circles were understood to fear that the generals' displeasure might impose on Señor Suarez, the Prime Minister, political restrictions which could affect the forthcoming elections:

In a front-page report on the resignation of Rear-Admiral Gabriel Pita da Veiga, the Navy Minister, which has still not been officially accepted. *Infor-*maciones remarked: "There is an impression that from now on Suarez will have even less free-dom to manoeuvre, and it is possible that he might have to resign himself to total neu-trality with regard to the

While the newspaper did not explain the latter phrase, it is taken to mean that there is a danger that the generals will balk at any plan on the part of Senor Suárez to stand for office or to lend support to political associates representing centre parties and progressive Falang-

Reports published here last night claiming that Lieutenant-General Carlos Franco Iribarnegaray, the Air Minister, had also resigned, could not be confirmed today, and it was widely believed that he had decided to

#### Request to postpone **Prisoners** freed in van church eviction ambush

From Alan McGregor Geneva, April 13 Walkers in the forests of the

Jura mountains are keeping a wary eye on all animal life,

whether wild or apparently domestic. La Rage (rabies) has

arrived, more quickly than ex-

A hunt started the other day for "a young English couple" who had tried to help a sick roe

deer by carrying it to the shel-

ter of a summer cowshed.

They went on their way after telephoning St Cergue police.

When a veterinary surgeon pro-

nounced the animal to have

rabies the Swiss radio carried

appeals in English asking the

couple to report to hospital. They heard and did, turning out

to be not English but Greek.

From Our Correspondent Lisbon, April 13 Four prisoners were set free by gummen as they left Caxias jail outside Lisbon yesterday under armed escort. The gumen, with automatic rifles, killed one of the prison guards and wounded another. One prisoner remained in the van refusing to escape.

refusing to escape.

The ambush took place when the prisoners were being transferred from Caxias prison hospital to another Lisbon jail. As the prison van turned into the main road for Lisbon its way was barred by a car with a Mozambique number plate, while gunmen hidden behind a hed at the roadside opened

diately. Another guard refused to give up the keys of the van and the gunmen shot the door open and freed the prisoners. Drivers of passing cars who tried to intervene were held up and robbed at sumpoint and their cars driven off.

The prisoner who refused to escape was savagely beaten up by his would-be rescuers. He has identified some of them as prisoners who recently escaped from the Coimbra prison.

#### Game wardens on night patrol are shooting any animal behaving abnormally. One of the characteristics of rabies is that wild creatures, including foxes three years ago and blood tests show "a continuing very high antibody response". Dr Frank Perkins, in charge of WHO quality control of ails vaccines, regards the human diploid cell culture vaccine, first produced in the United Meanwhile WHO's advice to which are mainly responsible for the spread of the disease, are liable to appear "tame". anyone in contact with any animal that could be intected States and now being manufactured at Lyons and Marburg, as "the biggest breakthrough we have had in rabies control for many, many years". with rabies remains unchanged. "Immediately wash the area thoroughly with soap and water, if possible hot. Then consult a doctor." After moving about 30 miles westwards each year ever since the present outbreak started some 40 years ago in central

From Charles Hargrove Paris, April 13

Swiss shoot 'tame' wild animals

Europe, the disease has spread through the length and breadth

of Switzerland in less than a decade. Two people have died of it this year, one of them a

Lucerne veterinary surgeon.

Anybody living in the country near here may find, as the wife of a Canadian author did last

night, a rabid cat in the garden.

It was plainly ill but not aggres-

sive. She imprisoned it within

an upturned crate and called in

a game warden.
A World Health Organization
(WHO) expert said reassur-

ingly today that there was no precedent for any indirect infection. He was commenting

on suggestions that picknickers might contract rabies through contact with saliva left on grass

by a rabid animal. But at the same time he said this could not be theoretically excluded.

with rabies gripping country

M Jean Guitton, the Catholic philosopher, appointed as mediator by a Paris court in the case of the occupation by Catholic traditionalists of the church of St Nicolas du Chardonner in Paris, has asked Father Bellego, the parish priest to postpone his demand for their expulsion by the police.

M Guitton justified his request by saying that because of the Easter holidays he had membeen unable to make "all the of \$t necessary contacts to work out the basis of a peaceful settlement.

In a statement last night, he called on both sides to "guard against all provocation in the very name of the faith they share". He has recently been in Rome to discuss the affair with the Pope, who has a high personal regard for him.

The mediator's request coinshould take its course, quietly cides with the publication of and without batted", he con-

the Archbishop of Paris, Cardinal Marty, and Pather Bellego, whom he had authorized to seek a court ruling on the evacuation of the church.

For prophylaxis, three injec-

tions suffice, or five if a person has been bitten by a rabid

animal. This compares with the 21 injections required of the duck embryo vaccine used universally for many years.

With the present limited pro-

duction, the diploid vaccine

Increased demand would of

course bring down the prise. Pre-Perkins thinks the new various, which is almost unknown to

many general practitioners, should be phased in gradually.

He suggests that a start be

risk, such as vets and British animal quarantile staffs. He was himself a guinea pig for the vaccine in a British trial

costs more than injection.

In his letter, the cardinal lays fown the limits of the medialor's mission. "While the intervention of a third party can help minds to evolve", he writes "it goes without saying that under the system of separation of Church and state, a mediator appointed by the courage control of the Easter truck, it gave the traditionalists 10 days to evacuate the church or be expelled by force.

M Guinon

Father member of the regular clergy of St Nicolas, told Le Monde today that the situation there was "acandalous". He said that the parishioners were "thwarted of their rights", and attacked the "elementary character" of the Christian message transmitted by Father Serralda, one of the traditionalist priests, in his regular theo-logical conferences at the church. "I wish that justice

## Communist plan for health service

Services Correspondent

A plan for a people's National Health Service based on salaried primary care teams of doctors, nurses, health visitors and social workers is presented by the Communist Party of Great Britain in evidence to the royal commission on the health service, published today.

All treatment and facilities should be free, the memorandum argues, and should be paid for by revenue from taxation. The only alternative source of finance should come from nationalization of the pharmaceutical industry. memorandum

American and European com- cils. panies take about two thirds of the total NHS drug market; and effectiveness of services sales promotion, about 14 per could be greatly improved if cent of United Kingdom turn-

£570 for each doctor, and at present rates the average docfor could expect to have nearly £30,000 spent on his "educa-tion" by the pharmaceutical industry. Drug companies wax fat on profits from the

NHS", the memorandum says. Greater democratization of the service is urged. The recept reorganization was a mistake and should be undone as soon as possible. Far too
many people had been
appointed from on high and
far too few elected from below. The service should be administered by the local coun-

over, fell mostly on the NHS: teams were free to make the about £38m in 1974. In 1973 most effective and efficient the cost worked out at over use of their resources to meet District Community Physicians says in its evidence. Area authorities should be replaced by district authorities.

> Voluntary agencies are being frustrated in attempts to set up rehabilitation units for alcoholics in provincial areas, although encouraged to do so by the Department of Health and Social Security, the Help-ing Hand Organization says in its evidence.

Local authorities it says, are reluctant to accept responsibility for a unit after the first five years. Expansion of this service had, as a result, been stopped. But alcoholics who did not go through a period of rehabilitation were the most throughout West Germany; and likely to need NHS help again.

#### deaths of guerrillas' From Our Correspondent Berlin, April 13

Buback murder 'avenged

Terrorists calling themselves Commando Ulrike Meinhof— Red Army Faction today claimed responsibility for the murder of Herr Siegfried Buback, the Chief West German Prosecutor who was ambushed with his driver and bodyguard on Thursday.

The terrorists made their claim in letters delivered to Die Welt and DPA news agency on the day of the three men's state funeral. Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Federal Chancellor, in a funeral address, promised an unrelenting war against violence but also warned against an emotional response to violent provocation which would undermine democracy.

present as the coffins of Heri Buback and Herr Wolfgang Goebel, his driver, and Herr Georg Wuster, the bodyguard, were carried in slow procession, draped with the federal eagle's

The long letter claimed that the "execution" of Herr Buback was in response to the "murder" of Holger Meins, Siegfried Hausner and Ulrike Meinhof; and that he, in cooperation with CIA and the Nato Security Committee. Nato Security Committee, orangized and directed their murder '

Herr Meins died after a hunger strike in prison; Herr Hausner died in a prison hos-pital from wounds received in an attack against the West German Embassy in Stockholm; and Ulrike Meinhoi committed suicide in her cell, according to

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## Upheaval at 'Le Figaro' over plan for new image

From Our Own Correspondent Now, however, there are per-Paris, April 13 sistent reports that he will leave Le Figaro, the conservative Le Figaro at the end of this French quality newspaper founded by M Pierre Brisson,

is facing another upheaval. M Robert Hersant, one of the leading newspaper proprietors who acquired a controlling interest in July, 1975, introduced in the months after his takeover a far-resching reorganization of the newspaper, which was suffering from falling circulation, overstaffing, and excessive running costs.

This led to the departure of a number of prominent members of the editorial staff, voluntarily, or otherwise.

M Hersant had made it clear that he wanted to take a direct hand in the shaping of the paper's politics, to modernize its production and update its somewhat old-fashioned middle class image.

There have been rumours of the impending resignation of M Jean d'Ormesson, the news-paper's editor-in-chief since February, 1974, owing to policy disagreements with M Hersant, but these proved incorrect, or at least premature.

month, along with M Raymond Aron, the well-known sociologist, who is the paper's political director and chief leader writer. Thirty more journalists are also said to have been asked to tender their resignations. The main reason behind this latest upheaval is M Hersant's intention of taking editorial control of the paper into his own hands in order to join battle in the coming parliamentary elections on the side of the Government Majority.

In addition, M Hersant

sistent reports that he will leave

apparently wants Le Figuro to become more popular and more "Ourspoken", 2bandoning in traditionally cautious approach. according to members of the editorial staff. M d'Ormesson and M Arm

are hostile to this fundamental change in the character of the newspaper. They oppose the "popularization" desired by M Hersant, and insist that Le Figuro must meintain its intellectual approach to both news and views.

#### Mountain guide aged 76 dies in rescue effort

Grand St Bernard, April 13 .-A 76-year-old Swiss mountain guide died in hospital near here yesterday after being swept away by an avalanche as he

tried to reach a group of stranded mountaineers, police said The guide, Robert Galleys, tried to reach a mountain cabin,

on the Grand St Gernard Pass which leads to Italy, after hearing that the mountaineers were stranded there after a snow storm. The mountaineers emerged safely when the weather cleared.—Reuter.

#### Easter frost damages French vines Paris, April 13.—The worst

Paris, April 13.—The worst Faster frost for 50 years has severely affected Prench yineyards damaging more than 80 per cent of vines in some areas, wine producers said itoday.

Fruit growers have also been badly affected.

The region worst hit is that south of Bordeaux, where producers report damage to vines of more than 80 per cept. In

of more than 80 per cent. In the Loire Valley, Aquitaine, the Garonne valley and some parts of the Languedoc-Roustion region farmers also report severe damage to crops.—

## Danish employers reject new wage proposals

From Our Correspondent Copenhagen, April 13

A labour arbitrator's proposal

Confederation of Employers valla today opening the way for a unofficial wave title. 300.000 workers from Friday. The Danish Government announced that it would hold a

meeting with the leaders of the organizations concerned tonisht and later discuss the rejection with the political parties which

support its incomes policy.

The policy set a limit for wage increases of 2 per cent yearly for two years above employers were against it.

threshold payments. This ceiling was accepted by first the unions and the employers. During final negoti thous. for new collective agreements however, the employers fact that was rejected by the Panish tree could not obtain reson-

gueronties against all The employers, particularly in general conflict involving some the textile industry and retail trade also opposed the arriva-

tor's proposal of weightings which would increase their

**LEGAL NOTICES** PURSUANT to the Trustee ACL 1925 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all CREDITORS and others having any claim against or claiming to be beneficially interested in the estate of DOROTHY KATE WOODHOUSE Late of 25 Croft-down Road Harburne, Birmingham, who died on the 17th day of the control of the co

registry at surampanam on the 17th day of Schiember one thousand nine hundred and seventy at hy CORDON WILLIAM QUANCE and DENNIS JAMES WELCH the EXECUTORS herein names thereof in writing to the Undersigned Solicitor on a before the 25th tay of June 1977, after which date the said Executors will proceed to distribute the sasets of the deceased among the pursons on the claims of which they have had notice and shall but be deceased for his part thereof as distributed to any part thereof as distributed to any part thereof as deceased they have had been also better the same of the same DATED this 7th day of April, 1977. GORDON W. QUANCE, 51 High Birect, West Brom-wich, West Midlands, Solicitor for the Executors.

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In the Matter of VICS MOBILS SUPPLIES Limited and in the Matter of The Companies Act. 1948.
Notice is hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above-named Company, which is being VOLUNTARILY WOUND UP, are required, on or before the 26th day of May. 1977, to some in their full Christian and surasmess, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors. If

addresses of their Solicitors (if ny), to the undersigned DAVID L. MORGAN, FGA, of Allred Tooke & Co., \$\partial Upper Grossman St. With Liquidator, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall de specified in such notice, or in default ineresting and place as shall de specified in such notice, or in default ineresting any distribution made before such debts are proved.

David this 6th day of April. 1977, DAVID L. MORGAN, Liquidator.

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in the Matter of MENIN DUCT-WORK Limited.

By order of the MIGH COURT of JUSTICE dated the 20th December, 1976. NaVILLE ECKLEY. F.C. A. of 56 Friends Road, Croydon, has been experimed LOUDIATOR of the above named company with a COMMITTEE of INSPECTION.

Dated 4th March, 1977.

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Chartered Accountant.

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## danima CIA spy chiefs accused Tory leader to meet of bungling by former Africa agent

Washington, April 13

A new storm has broken about the heads of the Central Intelligence Agency as a result of allegations by a former staff of allegations by a former staff member that the people in charge of the clandestine branch are expense account windlers and an "ingrown clove" suffering from intellectual "constipation", who nonetheless sectore continual promotion "no matter how drunken, inept or courupt their managed. inept or conjupt their manage

The accusations are made in an open letter to Admiral Stanfield Turner, newly appointed director of Central Intelligence, and published in the Washington Post. It was written by Mr John Stockwell, who resided on March 20 from the resigned on March 30 from the covert Directorate of Operations after 13 years' service. His last post was in the headquarters of the Africa Division, where he served as head of the Angola

Mr Stockwell, who is 41, sarcastically suggests that Admiral Turner might try cleaning up the CIA instead of pursuing, probably vainly, the CIA's grail of new laws to protect secrets.

Mr Stockwell says he opposed because it would bring the Cubans in the abortive scheme of Dr Henry Kissinger, the former Secretary of State, to have the CIA, with South Africa, covertly support the factions beaten by the Marxist MPLA in the Augola war, and he goes on to reveal what he claims to be a secret about America's current "token" aid for Zaire.

"You are seeking out the same French mercenaries the CIA sent into Angola in early 1976", he tells Admiral Turner. "These are men who took the CIA money but fled the first time they encountered heavy

As a result of the letter, the CIA says Admiral Turner has ordered an investigation and offered to meet Mr Stockwell privately. The Senate intelligence committee has started its

There are two themes in the allegedly corrupt deadwood running the CIA and disilluZaire—where Mr Stockwell was born—and Angola, he is particularly scathing. The CIA involvement ordered by Dr Kissinger he describes as "irresponsible and ill-conclusioned because there was no possibility." because there was no possibility that we would make a full commitment and ensure the victory of our allies".

He suggests that by July, 1975, the MPLA, which forms the present Angola Government. was clearly winning and that it was "not hostile to the United States". He says there can be no surprise now that the 1975 "Zairian invasion of northern Angola" has invited the retaliatory invasion of Zaire by rebels equipped and encouraged by

He asks whether it was not in He asks whether it was not in fact United States policy which ptovoked the present invasion of Zaire and "may lead to the loss of the Shaba's rich copper mines".

He does not unlike Dr Kissinger, blame Congress for the failure of the Angola actions.

He claims he gave warning that the Senate was bound to act once the covert action was

exposed.
Mr Stockwell bitterly critic izes some CIA chiefs in the field. He says the Kinshasa sta-tion was our of control and "purchased ice plants and ships for local friends". He alleges that it once tried to get the CIA to pay President Mobutu \$2m (£1,177,000) to replace a crashed aircraft that

was worth only \$600,000.
"Standards of operations were low with considerable energy devoted to the accumula-tion of perfusites", he stares. When he was made Chief of Station and of his superiors, over drinks, welcomed him to "the club" and briefed him on ways of supplementing his in-come by \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year, tax free, by manipulating representational and operations

Those who know the CIA and Mr Stockwell have reacted with dismay to the letter. "It's very hard to take", one person said.

Mr Stockwell was seen as an idealist, too much of a perfec-tionist and also as having dis-torted the present clandestine branch leadership.

## Changing air needs call for revision of rules

Montreal, April 13

The regulatory framework governing international civil aviation, elaborated over 30 years ago, must be changed to meet present air transport needs, Dr Assad Kotaite, president of the governing council of the International Civil special air transport conference ich opened here today.

Dr Kotaite told civil aviation directors and other high officials from most of the organization's 138 member states that they must look for changes conducive to the development of efficient air transport services, avoiding unnecessary restraints on one

Sudan rejects invasion charges

hand and wasteful competition on the other. The key question, was the need to coordinate regula-

tions governing international, scheduled airlines and charters which accounted for 70 and 30 per cent respectively of the On tariff enforcement, Dr

Kotzite said violation of gov-ernment-approved international fares was causing serious finan-cial problems. Governments must help the International Air Transport Association to enforce

This first intergovernmental conference in more than 30 years, called to deal with the most pressing problems facing international air transport, will

# Emperor of Japan

Tokyo, April 13
Mrs Thatcher, the British
Conservative leader, arrived in
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mission as the rising value of
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The surging value of the yen, which has appreciated by almost 10 per cent in recent weeks, is expected to be raised as a major topic when Mrs Thatcher and Mr Fukuda, the Prime Minister, discuss Japan's hopsided trade links with British and Europe way.

Japanese officials indicate that Mr Fukuda intends to emphasize that the value the yen has been allowed float upwards by the Bank of Japan to promote imports and diminish Japan's competitive power in export markets in

power in export markets in-chading Britain.

It is understood that Mr Fukuda will tell Mrs Thatcher that his Government's mone-tary policies were explicitly adopted to counter the criti-cism that the yen had been undervalued in the past as a and encouraging Japanese

The yen closed at a new high of 272.4 to the dollar today, and the Bank of Japan is expected to take strong. measures to intervene if the level fells below 270. As Mr Fukuda might suggest

to Mrs Thatcher tomorrow, Japan cannot be criticized if the Bank of Japan intervenes to maintain the level of the yen at a reasonable rate above the watershed of 270. According to officials, the Government puts the true value of the years at 200 certains. the yen at 280 to the dollar.

Mrs Thatober, who is visiting Japan for the first time, will meet Mr. Fukuda at the Prime Minister's official residence. Immediately after the meeting, she will be driven to the Imperial Palace, where she will be received by Emperor

Hirohito. During her stay Mrs Thatcher will meet Mr Ilchiro Hatoyama, the Foreign Minis-ter, leaders of the Keidanren, the employers' Federation of Economic Organizations, representatives of the British chamber of Commerce. She will also inspect a number of Japanese camera and car plants and an Anglo-Japanese joint venture, the Meiji-McVine bisouit factory

That there is the international accomming summer meeting of industrialized nations in London and Japan's unickly trade relations with the European

pleted a seven-day visit to China today, arrived in Tokyo accompanied by her daughter, Carol. She is visiting Japan on the invitation of Mr Fukuda in his capacity as president of the ruking Liberai

gested today that the visit will serve a useful purpose in pro-moting understanding between the two countries because Thatcher will "most probably be elected Britain's first

## University heads' plea for Charter 77 signatories

by Ethiopia Khattum, Aoril 13.—Sudan oday rejected allegations that its troops had intervened in neighbouring Ethiopia and said that Ethiopian soldiers and air-craft had in fact violated

Sudanese territory.

The denial was made in a telegram to the Organization of African Unity and published by the Sudan News Agency.
Lieut-Colonel Mengistu Haile-Mariam, the Ethiopian head of state, last night accused President Jasian imery of Sudan of aggres-on and "openly violating the ongur and entity of Ethiu-

Addis Ababa said Earlier. that Sudan was supporting secessionist guerrillas fighting government troops in Ethiopia's Red Sea province of Err-

Sudan described the allega-

By Our Foreign Staff A letter signed by the vice-chancellors of 16 British calling universities, Czechoslovakia to reconsider the action taken against the signatories of Charter 77, the

deeply concerned by effects which the denial these rights and the attacks on those who have supported them are having on the relations between our countries. "Belonging to a country which upholds a cademic freedom, as expressed in the con-

universities, cannot fail to make our protest when these rights are denied to those in the academic profession in Czechoslovakia.

"A men who had a great human rights document, has been sent to Mr Mecisiav Jablonsky, the Czechoslovak Ambassador in London.

The letter, which is intended for transmission to President Husak, says in part: "We are deeply concerned by the Charter 77 stands in the tradiadvice. We believe that Charter 77 stands in the tradi tion he did so much to found.' The vice-chancellors of the following universities signed the letter: Aberdeen, Bath Brunel, The University College at Buckingham, Dundee, Edin-burgh, Exeter, Heriot-Watt,

## Revolt leader to head government

Manila, April 13.—Four from Jiddah this week that he years after organizing a revolt for Muslim autonomy, Mr Nur sional government whose chair-Misuari is coming our of his Misueri is coming out of his Libyan exile to head a provisional government in southern

After being hunted as a secessionist rebel, the youthful chairman of the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) Liberation Front (MNLF) slipped out of the country some time in 1973 to direct the lebellion first from Sabah and leter from Tripoli.

Lihya is the rebels chief support, supplying them with,

official figures.

The formula provides for the setting up of a provisional government in 13 southern provinces and, later, of a resuar autonomous g rrament through elections. T. Geographical composition ar ' powers' of the new region are to be determined by a referendum next Sunday.

There was uncertainty as to hether the MNLF would whether the MNLF accept the formula or not until Mr Misuari finally sent word manship had been offered to him by President Marcos. As provisional leader, Mr Misuari is also expected to

play a key role in the future autonomous government. An elusive figure. Aged 37 or 38, he was formerly a political science instructor at the science instructor at the University of the Philippines, a hotbed of student activism before President Marcos declared martial law in September 1972.

support, supplying them with money and arms.

Colonel Muammar Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, and President Marcos of the Philippines jointly worked out a compromise peace formula for setting a conflict that has claimed about 20,000 lives according to comparation by their more affluent, official figures.

To the young Muslims who followed his trail, be was pertable the preaching the liberation of three million Muslims from social and economic domination by their more affluent, official figures. compatriots from the north.

To the military, Mr Misuari

was more than a separatist rebel. He was also said to be allied with the communists. Military dossiers, in fact, once put him down as a leading figure in the communist hier-

, To where the MNLF rebellion is a value and distant war, he is only a photograph in the newspapers; a face dominated by a thick moustache and dark eyes. His birth place is said to be the small Muslim island of Jolo in the south, whose inha-bitants are called Tausog, an ethnic group known for their skills as warriors.

But his reputation was not to be that of a guerrilla fighter. His claim to the MNLF leadership, the authorities say, rests on his being its brains.

In the university, he is said to be a coult figure although

to be a quiet figure although, reports say, he once led a demonstration in front of Mr Marcos's presidential palace to protest against the mysterious killings of Muslim recruits in a secret Army training camp outside Manila in 1968.

Later he joined the Mindanso Independence Move-ment, but was disillusioned by its leadership and broke away

from it.
In 1971 he contested a seat in the constitutional convencion that was to frame a new Philippines constitution. His plan was to work for a consti tutional provision that would establish a federal Muslim establish Government in Mindanao. His hopes were dashed when he lost the election. Two years later he was in the hills, with a price of 50,000 pesos (£4,000) on his head.—Agence France-Presse.

Syrian troops allow Palestinian guerrillas to move freely around battle zone on Israel's border

## Peril of war in Lebanon hamlets

From Robert Fisk Ibl al-Saqi, southern Lebanon April 13 In the Palestinian command post at Ibl al-Saqi—a half-com-pleted, damp, concrete bunga-low whose owners must long ago have abandoned any hope of making it their home—a Lieutenant assures visitors that his men have not fired a shot for two days. "We had about 50 shells

"We had about 50 shells fired at its last night", he says. "Twenty came from Marjayoun and the rest from Merulla in Israel.

Outside, low cloud drifts over the hills, afthough you can still see Marjayoun, the Lebanese Christian stronghold. a mile and a half away. Through the mist and rain comes the distant sound of an exploding shell—the only one

exploding shell—the only one we were to hear during four hours in the battle area. It was different last week, when for five days Palestnians and Christian forces fought artillery duels with the guerrillas occupying the villages of Taybeh and Khiam. But this is not a war in the conventional sense. Villages like Ibl al-Saqi have their tactical edvantages and the Palestnians have set and the Palestinians have set

"unique culture". Because Canada is a federal state con-

Ouebec's influence on the rest

of the country was so great that it could not be measured

by any yardstick.

They are slightly smaller than the French hamlets which once provided the names for battlefields in the First World War. In many of them, there are fewer than 100 Palestinian guerallas: for most battles almost inconsequential, scale. amost inconsequential, scale.

The Palestinian fleutenent at Ibl al-Saqi shrugged when I asked him about the warning by Mr Yigal Allon, the Israeli Foreign Minister, that his country would not "permit" the massacre of Christian willower in centhern I belower. villagers in southern Lebanon. However, there are no signs on the Palestinian front lines that

for the Israelis or Syrians or Palestinians to launch much more serious attacks with

the face of our driver.

anyone is preparing another offensive. The only guns pro-tecting Fbl al-Saqi on its eastern flank are two medium range This is not to suggest the Arab nations or Israel exaggerate the importance of the southern Lehanon conflict southern Lebenon conflict— just that the fighting is, with the exception of last week's battles, on mothing like the scale which both sides would imes like one to believe. The ragged military operations are important not for what they are, but for what they could become the flashpoint

shedding are clear enough. To reach libl al-Saqi, visitors cide attop a Palestinian Land-Rover, which bumps across the cracked, shell-battered road cracked, sheet-battered foad that runs, in an unpleasantly exposed way, from the valley to the north along the flat plain parellel to Marjayoun. Today, our vehicle crawled along at 10 mph in painful view of Marjayoun and its artillery battery. There was no declaring the serious, hork on

Driving out of the Arkoub area in a private car today, two armed Palestinian guer-ribas asked us for a lift. We could not refuse. They sat on the back seats with their rifles on their laps as we travelled north. They were friendly Syrian soldiers stopped the car to check our identity. A month or two ago.

Syrians were asking for identification papers of Palestinian passing through checkpoints. But today, after seeing the Fateh men in the back of our car with rifles, they waved us through their roadblock with a smile.

#### Arrest of Romanian human Envoy foresees no separation rights activist reported by Quebeckers

By Our Foreign Staff
Quebec will not separate
from Canada, Mr Paul Martin,
the Canadian High Commissioner, predicted yesterday
Mr Martin said only a
minority of Quebeckers wanted Zagreb, April 13 Mr Paul Goma, the Romanian author, and several of the other signatories of his appeal com-plaining about the violation of human rights in Romania, are believed to have been arrested secession to preserve Quebec's "unique culture". Because be made to meet changing conditions and legitimate aspirations of the provinces and the nation, he said.

after a decision taken at the highest level on April 5. According to Romanian sources the Government decided to arrest Mr. Goma after it had failed to suppress the movement which began with movement which began with only eight supporters and in recent months had increased to at least 200, including some

It is believed that Professo Jon Ladea, who some years ago was released from prison after serving a five-year sentence, and has recently joined the human rights movement, was arrested together with Mr

Mr Goma recently told me that he was compiling a dossier on the misuse of psychiatry against political dissidents. He had then already heard of four cases in which people were sent to mental hospitals after protesting about working conditions or refusing to sign the loyalty pledge to President

## Pakistan ambassador quits Madrid post

shall know kanan knan, rasing istan's Ambassador to Spain, resigned today, saying he could not sit idly by and see his country being dragged into another civil war by a dictatorial regime.

The Air Marchal former

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The Air Marshal, former head of the Pakistani Air Force, accused Mr Zustikar Ali Bunto, the Prime Minister, of breaking promises made to him and allowing general elections last month to be rigged to be could stay in power. so he could stay in power. In a telegram to Mr Bhutto, he said: "I cannot sit soly by and see the country being dragged into another civil war by power-hungry men. I am therefore resigning in protest against your oppressive and dictatorial regime". His resgnation came after a

against the Government in Pakistan who is 51, told a press con-ference that Pakistan had been practically paralysed since the elections. Asked if there was 2

real threat of civil war, he said: Not at the moment, but the way things are developing they could lead to civil war". He said paramilitary forces and police controlled by Mr Bhutto—not the Army—were responsible for the shooting in

would follow his example in resigning, Air Marshal Rehim Khan said: "I do not think so. My case is special". He said he had no links with any political party. "If I join the political struggle I will join in from outside", he said. "I have no plans for returning to Pakistan in the immediate future".—
Renter.

Richard Wigg writes from Lahore: Dr Muhashir Hasan, party, has tendered his resigna-tion. A former finance minis-ter, he belongs to the proges-sive wing of Mr Bhum's party which won 155 out of the 200 seats in the National Assembly. Dr Hasan's resignation, how ever, is not so it seems related to the election issue but stems from a deeper disagreement over the Prime Minister's recent political course, particularly what Dr Hasan sees as The opposition Alliance, a coalition obtained only 35 seats organized a month's

campaign egainst massive rigging Government. The Opposition, which boy-corted the subsequent provincial assembly elections, is in-sisting that the Government

## Congress leaders decide to resign en masse

Delhi, April 13.—Mr Dev masse, taken at a special Kent Barovah resigned today session of the Congress working as president of the Congress
party. The 18 other members
of the party's working committee including Mrs Indira
Gamini, the former Prime Minister, are expected to follow suit tomorrow Mr Swaran Singh, a former

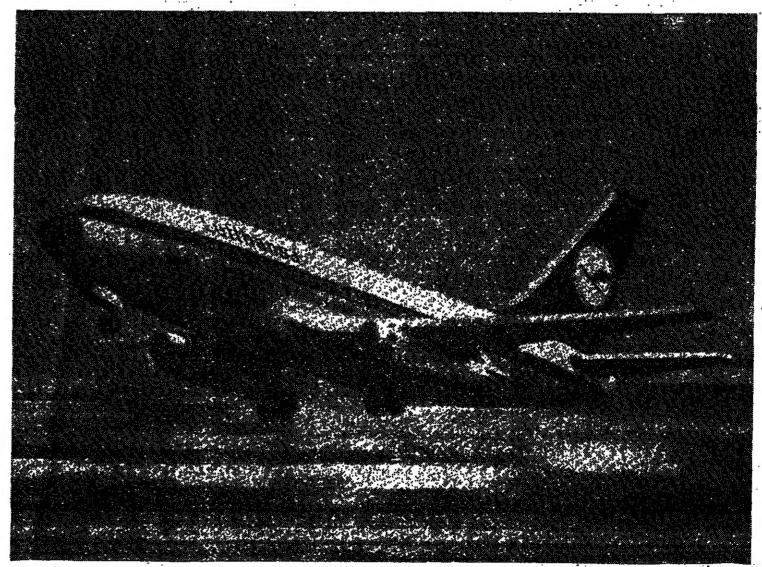
Minister of External Affairs and Defence, is expected to take over as interim president of the party tomorrow until a full session of the All-India Congress committee is held in the next few weeks. The decision to resign an organization.

committee, appeared to be a victory for Mrs Gandhi's group within the party.
Mrs Gandhi who accepted personal responsi-bility for the party's electoral

defeat last mouth, wanted the entire working committee to resign in a gesture of collective responsibility.

Mr Barooah, who led the party since 1974, said that he was resigning to accept respon-sibility for the electoral defeat, as head of the Congress

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## Change of mind by Mr Carter on total plutonium ban was caused by hostile allied response

/ashington, April 13

President Carter, in his inunciation last Thursday of te "domestic" American use plutonium in commercial uclear power programmes (at east, for the time being) did or go on, as expected, to disourage other nuclear coun-

ries from doing so. Instead, the President Instead, the President stonished experts by saying hat Britain, France, West Gernary and Japan "have a pertright to go ahead and continue with their own reprocessing efforts". He hoped only hat they would join in preenting the spread of the technique to other countries.

rique to other countries.
For being so accommodating he President is criticized in he Washington Post for "havig leaned over much too far i the other direction". Other itics wonder whether his on-proliferation policy is not ow so confused by inconsisency as to be meaningless.
At all events, as stated so
ur, America's interim renun-

ation of plutonium is likely have a negligible effect on ogrammes of the nuclear haves". According to British sperts here, it will have no fect whatever on Britain's

Neither the proposed extenessing plant nor Britain's fast hreeder reactor programme are in any way dependent on any way dependent on any only if the United States fused permission for counties such as Japan and Spain to have their American-suplied fuel, or fuel used in an american-supplied reactor, processed in Britain, could have be any effect, the British coets say.

r the unstated reason that energy here suspect Mr Carter

From Our Correspondent

At least 11 Kenyans, most of

them businessmen, have been arrested in Kampala in the last

law days, it was reported here

Some were arrested at their buels while others were held hen they attempted to board

overnight bus for Nairobi. statement on the matter

out informed sources said checks against illegal trading

and smuggling were being in-

Passengers from Kampala

cuments before they joined

he overnight bus there and

ossing into Kenya. Some tra-

Aircraft land

id-air collision

Stratford, Connecticut, April

'3.—Two aircraft collided in

vid-air lete last night but

.anaged to land safely at the

cal airport here with their 15

A spokesman at the Sikorsky rport called the landing "mi-

culous" and the police said oth pilots deserved medals.

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afely after

essengers unburt.

d soldiers checked their

been made from Uganda

airobi, April 13

Uganda arrests Kenyan

businessmen in hotels

there is more to Mr Carter's the next stage of his energy policy than he disclosed last conservation policy.

week; that the second step, of first asking everyone, then pressing them, to forgo pludon not agree with Mr Carter's

men that the fast breeder's plutonium is a virtual do-it-vourself bomb kit. But they tonium, must come. Mr Carter certainly changed his mind on this issue after pressure from America's allies, ast week. There is striking evidence in the current issue of Time magazine that it came literally overnight.

The Time reporter who was permitted to spend a day in the White House, writes that last Wednesday Mr Carter told three senators: "We're going to take a unilateral step to end reprocessing and we'll call on other nations to do the same ".

One reason he did not is that a tornado of protests, it is learned, descended from the allies, particularly the West Germans and the Japanese, when they were shown his draft policy statement. The British and French Governments also made clear their dissatisfaction.

It now seems likely that Mr Carter will instead propose strengthening present arrange-ments for transfers of nuclear materials between countries.

It is also useful to be clear what Mr Carter has proposed in domestic policy. He will "defer indefinitely" commer-Foundation and others, there is not enough uranium to do the worldwide job without reprocessing and recycling it, and the plutonium it produces. This argument, which British energy policy experts favour, is that proper management of pluton. "defer indefinitely countries cial reprocessing and recycling of pluronium, and he will "defer the date" of the commercial introduction of introduction breeder reactors, while seeking to "restructure" the prowith

precise. It does not imply scrap-ping reprocessing or the breeders; the Clinch River experimental breeder in Ten-The nuclear "have nots" experimental breeder in nessee will be continued.

The opponents of numbers of numbers suspect Mr. C.

The unstated reason may be read to be trusted.

Why then all the fuss among recess shead with conventional nuclear experts from Tokyo to his his public anathema for plucems the experts suspect that

dans must now obtain permits

Yet another New York delay over Concorde

From Patrick Brogan Washington, April 13

The commission of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which holds its monthly meeting tomorrow, will again postpone its decision on the future of Concorde. It controls Kennedy airport which British Airways and Air France want to fly Concorde into, and has so far refused its permission des-pite the favourable ruling of the federal Department of Transportation last year.

The two airlines hope this postponement will be the last. They, and the aircraft's makers, submitted a mass of technical data to the authority on April 1 They believe this shows that Concorde would make no more noise that a Boeing 707.

The authority's technical experts ought to be able to brief the commissioners on all the technical aspects of the case within the next week or two, allowing them, if they wish, to announce their decision before the end of the month.

The date is significant be cause, on April 28, a formal hearing will be held before Judge Milton Pollock of the New York Federal Court on the question of the authority's right to disregard a directive from Washington.

The legal argument is that under various international agreements the Americans are bound to accept certificates of airworthiness issued by the French and British once they have been ratified by the American Secretary of Transportation. The former secre-tary, Mr William Coleman, ruled a year ago that Concorde could have a 16-month trial during which its performance

New York protest: Anti-Concorde demonstrators intend to use their cars to choke roads to Kennedy airport on Sunday. Filling the auditorium of a primary school near the airport last night, about 600 protesters

here.
Another meeting last night in Cedarhurst, near Kennedy Air port, drew about 4,000 people, but they decided against taking part in Sunday's demonstration. Mr Jerry Brown, a community leader in Queen's Borough, was applauded when he said:
"These wine-guzzlers from
France should think again. If we wanted an SST (supersonic

Journalist forced

Nairobi, April correspondent in Nairobi for several years, Mrs Brenda Houghton (who writes under the name of Brenda Jones) left here for London today after Kenya cancelled Guardian last week published a

nity of the human person. Whatever constitution emerged

out of the political debate tak-

ing place in Ghana, it should "guarantee inalienable human

sufficient powers to guard against infringements of

representative or rational rather than "union" govern-

Mr Koh Kay Yew, the former airline executive, was also deprived of his Singapore

human rights.

The bishops suggested

## One thing is clear. The argument has only just begun. It is as complex technically but as simple politically as is the strategic arms limitation issue with which it is linked. could be evaluated Mr Carter, fresh in this as so

roared approval of a plan to: close the airport with a "drive-in" as part of their campaign

transport) we would have made our own."

to leave Kenya

dence of the people

#### much else, has acted to open the discussion from the top, rather than let it be left at the bottom of the political heap, in protest.

from a district commissioner or a Minister before they can leave the country. President Amin has signed a decree authorizing the police, military police and other authorities to round up unem-ployed people and vagrants who may then be forced to work on the land or in in-

dustry. anyone between 16 and 40 who cannot produce evidence of employment and who has not paid Ugandan tax can be sent for training on the land, or in industry for a year, and then "settled" on the land.

Uganda radio issued a warning to unemployed people in the towns that they would soon three other places before

Accra, April 13.—Ghana's Roman Catholic bishops have

called for representative civil-ian government and guarantees of human rights, the Ghana news agency reported today.

At their annual conference

ar Temas the bishops suggested that a future constitution for Chana should contain provi-

sions banning any intervention by the Army and the police in

The bishops specifically

effairs of state.

#### after mountain air crash Jakarta, April 13.-Rescuers

Eight rescued

none the less worry that some

of their politicians might be

tempted to forgo it, in favour, say of coal, simply relying on Mr Carter's evangelism.

could be countries having virtually no coal and no other indi-

genous energy sources except nuclear power. Japan is the

Ever since 1954 countries receiving American help have

been subject to strict controls. If the United States were to strengthen controls and, say,

refuse Japan permission to con-duct reprocessing itself or to send it to Britain, that con-

straint might seem intolerable.

The very structure of the origi-

That is a gloomy hypothesis not justified at all by the present expression of the American policy.

What, however, of a technical argument? This is that contary

to Mr Carter and the Ford Foundation and others, there is

proper management of pluto-nium and reprocessing acts as a great increase of energy

might be the first to crack.

non-proliferation treaty

prime example.

But by far the worst affected

have found eight survivors and three bodies near the wreckage of a twin-engined Otter aircraft which crashed on a mountain peak in central Sulawesi (Celebes) two weeks ago, Antara news agency reported today.

Nine other people known to have survived the crash are believed to be backing their way through dense jungle in a hazardous trek to safety down the slopes of the 6,600ft Mount Sinombala. The aircraft owned by the

Indonesian Merpati Nusantara airlines, was on a scheduled one-hour flight from Palu to Tolizoli when it crashed into every distinct the district of the complements one introduced carried three crew and 20 passeround that they had no persission to leave Uganda. Ugan-training settlements children.—Reuter.

denger in such a government

as the Army and police would like to have their own way, the

Ghana, formerly a British colony, is celebrating its twen-

tieth anniversary as an inde-pendent state. The military toppled Dr Kwame Nkrumah, its first President, in 1966, and ruled the country for three

After a return to civilian rule under Dr Kofi Busia, the military seized power again in 1972 under Colonel Acheam-

pong, who has been since pro-moted to general.

Singapore, April 13.-The

Singapore Government today

released Mr Arun Senkuttuvan,

Financial Times and The Econo-

correspondent of the

Ghana's bishops call for civilian rule

bishops said.

## Design

by Prudence Glynn

## An eye on the future in a setting of the past

I always prefer to see design on the hoof as it were, in its accustomed environment rather than transplanted. This is because I feel strongly that shapes and ideas, and of course colours, are so influenced by the surroundings of the artist with his sensibilities open. While much of the time my preference speeds me around huge roaring factories-something I actually enjoy, since the design and efficacy of machines is also dear to me-I sometimes find myself in charming, and sometimes dazzlingly beautiful, surroundings, in which important design work is being

John Makepeace, who I regard as the greatest furniture designer in this country, must share my view about the essentiality of surroundings, for his new workshops and his very important new training con-cept are put inside the lambent casing of Parnham House, at Beaminster, Dorset. It was built in 1540, extended by Nash in

It was built in 1540, extended by Nash in the 18th century, and ranks in my mind with enchanted Brympton d'Evercy, also of these parts, in which I revealed a modern wall rug last year.

Forced by pressures of space "When we made the Liberty centenary furniture in 1975 it was so big we could not even put it together in the Banbury workshop "John Makepeace and his wife, textile designer Ann Sutton, looked for an alternative site which offered both potential for their hopes of expansion and an for their hopes of expansion and an environment sympathetic to their work.

They found Parnham House, and knew must be theirs. They also knew that the house, which had always been closely protected by the luck of inheritance and the undoubted labours of its owners, must be opened to the fresh breath of the public if all the social, educational and functional espects of their great design were to be completed.

Mr and Mrs Makepeace are not only immensely gifted designers and craftsmen, they are high-minded and, more important, pragmatically high-minded. There exists in this country a fearful chasm of inability— technical, commercial and purely sensible -into which too many art-school trained designers fall. The rarified atmosphere of too much of design education divorces the student from the realities of working to live. "There is a serious gap between being trained and having an income" is how John Makepeace puts it. I recall the suggestion made by Professor Alexander in Edinburgh last year that a portion of the colleges should be taken from the Department of Education and Science and given to the Department of Trade and industry so that designers could make a more practical contribution to the lifeblood of industry which supports all such

John Makepeace was born in 1939 in Solihull and had no art school background, but from 1957 to 1959 he was a "trainee cabinet maker with Keith Cooper in Dorset". Is this where his sensible convictions about proper background come from? No trainee, or apprentice, or graduate of Denstone College, Staffordshire, can have proved a more brilliant and influential presence on furniture design, even if this is often overlooked, and he is still, to my chagrin, forced to be diffident about the cost of some of his remarkable work.

But he is redoubtable too. Questioned about the costing of the time and skill which went into a superb chess table for a superb chess set he retorted: "Nothing more undermining than compromise in design. Either you set a standard and an attitude in your workshop and you give craftsmen the sense that what they are making is worth while or you destroy their

confidence and pleasure in work."
In 1963 John Makepeace bought Farnborough Barn near Banbury and turned it into a house and a workshop. From there he amazed the interested with circular pillar chests of drawers, furniture made from wood laminated sometimes 60 sections deep ("When one was small one was always being told how dreadful plywood was. I wanted to prove the opposite") and totally original ideas in which the central stimulation was the sheer beauty of wood. Makepeace feels about wood as jewellers feel about gold. To him it is the magical material, independent, lovely, demanding, never to be abused. Often he is content to use it as as natural an aspect as possible, and undoubtedly the fact that he never includes harsh angles or edges in his work is because in nature's world there are no

such things.

The success outgrew the site, but so did the dreams of the designer. Parnham House is not just a setting for his own work and that of his wife (who has an exhibition at Dodson Bull Interiors in the Barbican from April 19 to May 5) it is also to be used to establish a school for craftsmen in wood. The course, which will last two years, will be fully residential,

and cost £3,000 a year. (The fee way arrived at by detailing a really good course since that is all that they are interested in running, and then costing it.) There will be 16 students. From eight until five they will work at the bench under a range of admirable instructors—all but one of John Makepeace's craftsmen have moved with him to Dorset—and visiting lecturers. The evenings will be devoted to the study of lesign or of business management

The aim of the course is to turn out designers who are entirely self sufficient. They may be more oriented to crafts-manship or to pure design but they will at the end know how to pake and cost manship or to pure design, but they will at the end know how to laake and cost their designs, how to manage their books, where their market is, and how to sell their work. John Makepeace believes that many students will be able to fund at least part of their tuition fees by sales made during training, vecause they will be encouraged to knock at the right doors and build their own individual clientele, be it private or retail foutlets. Since the tuition fee includes all materials (have you fried your local timber merchant for a comple of shelves lately?) I don't think the tost is too high. For really exceptional students who cannot fund themselves, John Makepeace is looking for scholarships, and applicants with suitable educational papers may get local authority grants.

The first course for Craftsman in Wood starts in September, housed in 16 study-bedrooms over the Oak Room, whose linenfold panelling ought to be an inspiration in itself. The whole idea has been realized as a non-profit-making educational charity called the Parinhem Trust Ltd. Without any advertising at all there have already been between 40 and 50 applications for the course, the ages of the applicants ranging from 16 to those who at 40 want to start a second career. Perfectionist to the end, John Makepeace will not say that the standards are yet what he wants.

Meanwhile, 1917 will be a busy year.

Makepeace will for say that the standards are yet what he wants.

Meanwhile, 1977 will be a busy year. In May he will be installed as a Freeman of the City of London, which will presunably give him certain personally convenient privileges. May also sees the royal opening of the new buildings of Keble College, Oxford, largely furhished by John Makepeace, and the campletion of a superb display cabinet for modern sculpture for the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge. As for that chess table, to which I confess a special interest which fathered followers of this page may guess at, we must wait of this page may guess at, we a further month or two.

# There would be an inherent must be placed and left in lenger in such a government the hands of those "qualified as the Army and police would for it and who enjoy the confi-Any future government should have regard for the digrights and liberties in no equivocal terms.". The courts should be given





Above : John Makeneace and his wife, Ann Sutton, at Parnham House, Beaminster.

Left : Garden stools constructed from logs of weathered elm arranged like petals of z flower. The tops of the logs are subtly and comfortably curved. The flower-shaped garden table is made from three rounded panels linked with an open centre.

Left centre: Staff at work in the John Makeneace commission workshop where designs are executed for his customers. The pillar chest of drawers which swivel from central pole are one of many radical innovations.

Far left: A magnificent rounded desk of rosewood from a single tree topped in scarlet leather.

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swamp in North-West Colombia. The Respadura Canal is be-lieved to have been built nearly 200 years ago and to have connected the Pacific and Atlantic

tion leader, said.

also deprived of his Singapore citizenship.

Mr G. Raman, a former legal adviser to the University of Singapore Students' Union and the Singapore Polytechnic Students Union, is still being held.

Also still in detention is another former correspondent of the Far Eastern Economic Review, Mr Ho Kwong Ping, who was fined 7,000 Singapore dollars (£1,740) last January for disseminating secret military information. rimacial Times and The Economist, after two months of detention, but deprived him of his Singapore citizenship.

The Government said that nine other political detainees had also been released after being hold under the Internal Security Act, which permiss indefinite detention without trial trial.
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The statement by the Ministry of Home Affairs said that Mr Senkuttuvan and four others had been released today, four on March 25 and one on March 19.

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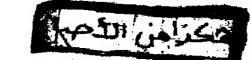
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Inevitably there is a lot of duplication between these winter festivals. Every year indeed brings a limie groupe of films which tour like a travelling stock company from place to place. This winter wherever you went you seemed to be confronted with the two new Truffaut films, the fascinating Histoire d'Adele H and the flaccid Argent de Poche; wich Carlos Saura's Cria Cuervos, with John Cassavetes's Killing of a Chinese Bookie, with Sobrab Sales's gentle study of growing pains, Reifezeit. All surned up, predictably, in

Vienna.
The most significant Viennale offering was Jonas Qua Aura 25 Ans en L'An 2000 directed by the gifted Swiss director Alain Tanner (La Salamandre, Le Retour d'Afrique) and co-written by John Berger. It is an attempt to orientate a moment in moral and political history— eight years efter the political watershed of '68 (Paris and Prague) and with the year 2000-WYNOHAM'S. 836 5028 Mon.-Fri. 8.0
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Mr Walter Weller (not Well, as appeared in yesterday's announcement in The Times) is Dancers, by David Lan (June the newly appointed principal conductor and artistic edviser of the Royal Liverpool Philiparmonic Society.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.



Zsuzsa Czinkoczi in No Man's Daughter

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vision is its ambivalence: "I am a shocking pessimist. But I believe the more pessimistic you are, the more optimistic you will become. While there's life there's hope." It's a hard life, just living, the film tells us; but then it is always alleviated by a quiet, unexpected, affectionate humour. The Italians are incorrigible

festival participants; and their three films in Vienna all reflected the overstatement and inflation that seems to characterize Italian production at the moment (you can sample it in films like Marco Ferreri's L'Udienza or Alberto Lannada's Cuore di Cane, which are among the films in the National Film Theatre's current season of New

Inalian Cinema).

Dino Rist's Telefoni Bianchi is a tragi-comedy about a chambermaid who makes it to stardom (thanks to a brief liaison with the Duce himself) in the "White Telephone" era in the "White Telephone" era of Fascist cinema; and then discreetly retraces the path from riches to rags after the collapse of Mussolini's regime. There are echoes of true life stories; Vittorio Gassman gives an enjoyably show-off performance as a falling star; but the telling moments don't add up to much.

CEravano Tanto Amati, directed and co-scripted by Ettore Scola, shares much of the same equivocal mixture of nostalgia and disillusion. A group of one-time friends meet again in 1974 and look back to the war and the ideals with which they emerged at its end-ing. The nostalgia is reinforced by the participation of an aged but still recognizable and vigo-rous Aldo Fabrizi (the priest in Open City and a familiar face of the Neo-Realist era) and by recurrent tributes to De Sica and Bicycle Thieves. The Viennai: also screened Scola's Cannes entry Brutti, Sporchi, Catrivi, a box office hit which took the director's prize in Cannes last year and was nomi-nated for an Oscar.

The Scandinavian cinema offered Lewe Us Alone, by two young Danish directors, Lasse Nielsen and Ernst Johansen, a Seventies interpretation, co-educational, of the theme of Lord of the Flies. The Viennale has a long-standing liking for Bo Widerberg, whose Fimpen (Stubby) had its first festival showing there, and this year screened his latest film, Man on the Roof, at present running at the Academy Cinema.

Socialist cinemas were thinly represented, with no film, for example, from the USSR, Poland, Czechoslovakia or Yugoslavia. Mircea Verolu's The Other Side of the Bridge, like most Romanian films that reach international events, was a safe-playing adapation of a nineteenth-century novel. East Germany sent a new adaptation

of Die Leiden des Jungen Werthers by Egon Günther, who is clearly deeply fascinated by Goethe (last year his underestimated Lotte in Weimar, an imaginary incident from the great man's 'self-important old age, was seen at the Cannes Festival). Taken by the "timelessness" of the story, Günther has tried to interpret it in the light of copinterpret it in the light of con-temporary sentiment, and with recognizably contemporary per-sonalities in the main roles. The failure of the method shows that "timelessness" is a qualified word and an elusive quality: a work only retains the quality, it seems, as long as it remains true to its own

less ambitious altogether more successful adap-tation was the Hungarian No. Man's Daughter adapted by the man's Daugner enapted by the film's veteran director, László Ranódy, and Judit Elek (the gifted director, in her ownright, of Lady from Constantanople and A Hungarian Village) from Zsigmond Monica's well-loved novel, written in 1940. The adaptation is spare and beautifully shructured, and the horrors of tured, and the horror Moricz's account of a child farmed out by the state orphanage is unsparing. The finale, with the solicary child (an amazing performance by an eight-year-old actress called Zsuzsa Czinkoczi) incinerating her tonneptors as they pig it round their dinner table, has a certain vengaful consolation.

David Robinson

## Timeless passion from an ancient poem

The Triumphs of Petrarch Coliseum

John Percival

With a cast of 60 or more dancers, a score specially written by Berio, and a scenario by no less a man than Petrarch, Maurice Bejert's Trionfi on Tuesday opened the fourth visit to the London Coliseum by the Baller of the 20th Century and stirred its audience to greater enthusiasm than one expects from a high-priced, royaltygraced gala.

The work is a huge masque in six episodes, played continuously and running for just over 90 minutes with no interval. Petrarch himself and his be-loved Laura are the central characters. The setting is a giant pastiche of a Renaissance wall painting a different group of figures being picked out by the lighting of each scene.

Some of the scenic effects are elaborate, notably the trium-phal cars bearing in the pro-tagouist of each triumph, and a fantastic costume of feathers, muscles and guts for the phoenix that heralds the ap-proach of Fame. But most of proach of Fame. But most of the dancers are dressed in the uniform Béjart prefers: brief trunks for the men, white or flesh-coloured tights for the women, revealing completely the shape of the body without the distractions of nudity.

Jorge Down plays Petrarch with unselfcouscious dignity wearing nothing but khaki trousers and ballet shoes until frousers and batter shoes until Fame wraps him in red velvet. He is seen first surrounded by the Spirits of Nature, who provide the linking antimasques: creatures with bodies smudged in mad and clowus' faces, led with unfailing animation by Maguy Marin and Michel Gascard.

The first triumph is that of Love, who torments all human creatures by tying them miserably into couples. Bur Love is subdued by Chastity, represented by Suzanne Farrell as Laura. Death in turn triumphs over Chastity, Fame over Death and Time over even Fame. The final episode, the Triumph of Eternity, brings together all the players, stripped of their finery, for a solemn round in which they are transfigured by peace and eventually sink to a posture of prayerful submission.

Photograph by Anthony Crickmay

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#### The Triumphs of Petrarch: Daniel Lommel

ambitious, all-embracing, full of aspiration expressed through aspiration expressed through the movement of beautiful bodies, which Béjart does uniquely well. The individual solos and duets often end on a throwaway gesture and never themselves interrupt the long flow of the action: it is the cumulative total effect, the per-fect judging of each part in relation to the whole, that gives the baller its impact. the ballet its impact.

That, and the quality of the dancing. Even Berio's score, in the form of a tape with the multi-directional effects, plays a subordinate role, illustrating, not guiding the action, although some of its inventions, such as the orchestrated babble of voices accompanying Fame, are ingenious. ingenious.

As always, Bejart shows off his company splendidly and they prove worthy of it. What other company could offer such an array of male dancers? Besides the indefatigable Donn, on stage almost throughout and as impressive in his moments of male success is that Bejart his found in the old poem a walking eround as in the virtues rechains the size of the success is that Bejart his found in the old poem a timeless passion which be transprove worthy of it. What other almost throughout and as impressive in his moments of his found in the old p
walking around as in the virtuoso technique that is quietly lates into his own terms.

introduced, there is the commanding Daniel Loomel, first as the poer's friend shackled by Love, later as proud Fame.

Niklas Ek and Yvan Marko are prominently shown off as two-faced Time, Jan Nuyts is the dazzling phoenix, Bertrand Pie a cruel incarnation of unsparing Love, and many others either provide a strong background or have their brief moments of display.

The women are headed by The women are headed by Suzanae Farrell, on loan from New York Circ Ballet to resume the role created for her.

sume the role created for her. A calm, reflective beauty pervades her every movement. This is not Farrell the bravura classicist but a more remotely lovely and entirely expressive woman. Rita Poelvoorde's gauche innocence as her unicorn and the eloquent simplicity of Monet Robier as Day are also notable.

## Clive Bennett

make its effect. Hearing Klaus Schulze's letest album Mirage while driving to Tuesday's concert merely produced irritation at its eventlessuess and its closeness to the minimalist music of Terry Riley and Philip Glass. Once calmly cocooned beneath the Planeturium's night sky, however, his music made a rather stronger impression.

Its basic sound is a thick wash of colour. A barrage of about 20 different synthesizers produce sustained chords, state produce sustained chords, state perhops its quality of product in adventurous characteristic is perhops its quality of product in the product of the music's simplicity. Its most adventurous characteristic is perhops its quality of product in the product of the music's simplicity. Its most adventurous characteristic is perhops its quality of product in the product of the music's simplicity.

frequencies that, once estab-lished, remain virtually constant throughout the piece. Variety comes from the spatial effects, complex electronic rhythms, distorted voices and even occasional tunes he piles

on top.
Schulze composes by a combination of construction and changed chords.

deviation hardly seems worth a second glance. The play, how-ever, treats them as equal examples of the same social examples of the same social murifation, and goes on, against all the odds, to win sympathy for Harry by tracing his upbringing from a childhood in the Highlands to brutalizing school indocrination, enforced gang warfare, and finally into the pub where at last "We Like John McGrath's two last plays for the 7.84 Company, this is an exercise in working-class political education. But unlike Little Red Hen and Yobbo Nowt, the pub where at last "We were men: we've been drinking ever since to prove it". it presents a politically ineducable hero whose problem relates only obliquely to politics. This time Mr McGrath has not

The play consists of one night in the symbolically named Brewer's Arms where Harry meets his old mate Harry meets his old mate Davey, a long-term Communist shop steward who is throwing in the sponge after despairing of luring his comrades out of the pub to present a united working-class front. It puts some strain on credulity to see James Grant's granite-sober Davey as a true friend to Bill Riddoch's stumbling glassy-eyed Harry; especially when every dialectical gambit is instantly stone-walled by Harry's refusal to talk politics. There is also a suspicion that it would have been much to Mr McGrath's convenience if it could be convenience if it could be proved that whisky was a capi-talist invention.

No matter, not even on the Irish stage have I seen the drinking habit so mercilessly tracked down to its frustrated sources as it is here. desperate wife, who tries to safeguard what is left of her

The author's production MacLennan, bent almost double offers another stunning example of this company's deft stage in a limite-girl dress and flashing management and resourceful-ness within limited means. Flashbacks, scene changes, Mark Brown's music (able acfearful smiles, conclusively does for Harry with her scampering exit line, "This companiment as well as vocals by the cast) switches between pub realism and direct address, all operate with exemplary smoothness and rhythmic contrast. As for the message, you may put it down as rigid envangelism or manifest integrity; either way, the achievement of the show remains unimpaired. up to Harry's condition. She.

for author of Shakespeare's

There are ironies enough in Jonson's epigram, for Salomon Pavey, aged just 13, was famed

for portraying old men. In the performance the ironies multi-

ply, for it is meant to appear as a piece written by a child of the company in which child-ren portray the old men who

work Pavey to his death. Dramatically there are many fine, sug-gestive touches: Pavey cough-

ing like an old man throughout

the play and finding himself in rivalry with another boy who

has aged to uselessness through a breaking voice.

The programme calls the play a ballad opera and like

that entertainment it borrows tunes and grafts new lyrics on

to them. Jeremy James Taylor's lyrics, while not all memorable,

are exact in mood and the song

and dance tunes chosen are lovely, played with Elizabethan

fervour by a professional group, called in performance the Salomon Pavey Consort.

The boys sing and act with

self-possession and confidence that is exceptional, whether they wear dresses in the

The Ballad of Salomon Pavey Young Vic

Out of Our Heads

allowed himself an ideological

pushover and the piece benefits

The subject is booze: and in

particular, the drinking habits

of the Glaswegian working man as exemplified by Harry, a

chemical-factory labourer who goes home paralytic five nights

This must be quite a thing

for the company to put over to

their Scottish audiences, in-

vited to identify with this ox-like

crony with his maudlin bar

songs, his ready fists, and

initial sympathy goes to his

sanity by compulsively counting

the knives and forks. Elizabeth

isn't my story, it's his. He's the

man ". Come back, you feel like

But what she says is true:

and her own comments on social

"normality" serve as a lead-

would look abnormal anywhere; but Harry's alcoholic

stic terrorism. All the

a week to beat up the wife.

Royal Court

Irving Wardle

accordingly.

Ned Chaillet

Boys' voices tell the story best. The soprano lilt to songs and the piercing shricks from roughhousing and rivalries go a long way to suggest what life for the boy actors of the Elizabethan theatre might have been like. Twenty-four boys from several schools have now joined the company of The Ballad of Salomon Pavey, which began as an improvised exercise or Belmont School, Mill Hill, and went on to win a Fringe first award at last year's Edinburgh Festival. Festival

The authors, Jeremy James Taylor and David Drew-Smythe, drawing inspiration from Ben Jonson's epigram on the death of a child actor of the Chapel Royal company, in 1602, have abbreviated history and set their play in 1583, the year of Queen Blizabeth's fiftieth birthday. Still drawing loosely on history, they use the occasion of a joint royal performance by the boys of the Chapel Royal and the boys of St Paul's as the dram-

women's parts or pretend to be men. Although there are slow stretches, it is a quite boys of St Paul's as the gramatic focus of the play, and bring in historical figures such as the playwright John Lyly and of the horrors of child exploitation which is intelligently conveyed. extraordinary

#### RPO/Groves Festival Hall

Stanley Sadie

The unadventurous classical programme offered by the RPO on Tuesday was enlivened by the presence of Clifford Curzon as soloist in Mozart's C minor Piano Concerto K491. This work is associated with him less, perhaps, than are some of the other Mozart concertos, like the last one, in B flat, or the popular A major. If those works are illuminated by the poise and serenity of his playing, this one demands something quite different in the way of passion. But above all this is a symphonic concerto; not for nothing is it the only one in which Mozart called for a full orchestra, including both oboes

and clarinets, for the maximum elaborations of the texture and characterizations of the themes Sir Clifford emphasized its structural force. He dawdled a

shade over the plano's introduc-tion, as if feeling his way into the music (as Mozart surely in-tended). When he came to the main subject matter he played tautly and sturdily. He made it clear that the passage work arises out of the themes, and is functional and organic, not merely display. He always seemed to be leading one forward to the next avent and ward to the next event and when, in the recapitulation, he reached the minor-key appear-

ance of the theme heard previ-ously only in the major, he properly and revealingly made it an emotional focal point.

I was a shade less happy about his cadenza, which sounded like something Beet-hoven might have written had he attempted one for this coacerto as well as the D minor, except that it was far too short for snything so far-ranging or so fiery, while being just the right length for Mozart.

In the Largue to, Sir Clifford was his more familiar gentle, contemplative yet unsentimental self. He added a limbe or user. He added a liftle or::1-mentation, without violating the simplicity of Mozart's line. I especially liked the way he took up the clarinct theme and played it with just that extra shade of feeling that is a soloist's prerogative.

The finale, taken steadily, had due weight, but the cool, elegant playing of the more relaxed variations (Nos 4 and 6) gave particular pleasure.

Sir Charles Groves began the evening with an elegacity turned Mozart march and ended it with Beethoven's Pasteral Symphony. This was a plain unaffected performance, marked more by the coursel of its broad spans, than by any felicitation. spans than by any felicitous treatment of detail. If in that sense it could be found a shade dull or unresponsive to what might be thought the essence of the work, one could still admire the integrity of the performance and Sir Charles's careful management of Eeethoven's

Klaus Schulze London Planetarium

More than most forms of entertainment this kind of German "space music" depends on the listener's mood to

improvization, selecting his best spontaneous i tens and working them out structurally. The form is therefore not precent field but generated from the playing itself, and as a result the pieces tend to become over-entended. Schulze admits his music is

the background to a mental pic-ture but insists his audiences must create their own personal images. Nevertheless his enterpriving choice of venue sag-gests outer space as his vision, not as in Stackhauteris Starin, not as in Stackhauteris Starin, klarg, where the pattern of stellar constellations serve as musical notation, but as the appropriate cutra distribution in heighten his music's emotional.

perhaps its quality of parala-ing chronological time through repetition. It is also the one most divorced from conventional rock. But ait ough the concert's three pieces each lasted more than 30 minutes, boredom broke through only intermittently. Still it was a relief when Schulze actually Football

## Aston Villa win in tense finish

Brian Little's goal scoring genius gave the League Cup to Aston Villa for the second time in three years at Old Trafford last night. Little scored the winning goal just two minutes from the end of extra time of a pulsating second replay against Everton. It was his second goal of the match and he thoroughly deserved the ovation from the massed ranks of Villa supporters when the final whistle went.

Everton, for so long in charge everton, for so long in charge of the game, had to go away empty-handed. They took the lead in the thirty-eighth minute through Latchford and hung on grimly in the face of mounting Villa presents.

when it seemed almost certain that the game would have to be decided on penalties, Little struck once again. Smith, who had come on after 103 minutes as substitute for Gidman, crossed from the right, the ball was diverted by Darracott, and Everton could only watch helplessly as the siender figure et Little slid the ball home. It was a fine end to a match full of exchange if not a high size leard of skill, and in the end the League Cup did provide monay's worth.

maked 55,000 crowd which brought the total receipts to over 5500,000. As early as the first minute, Villa were in wouble when Everton's Goodlass put in a low shot from the left. But somehow Burridge managed to scramble it round the post. Villa had more problems in the early minutes, with their defence making mistakes, and both liamilton and McNaught both had a minute later Liftle put them ahead. Nicholi's goal was a superb effort. As Villa pres-

£100,000 sponsorship with Saab, the Swedish car firm, and many

more clubs could seek financial backing if advertising on shirts is

allowed at the Football Association's annual meeting on June 3. An FA official confirmed: "There are proposals on the agenda from several clubs regarding advertising on shirts. At the moment it is not permitted by a council decision of some were ago.

decision of some years ago. Whether that ruling is relaxed will depend on the shareholders

Even if the vote is in favour of a change, it would not automatically allow Football League clubs to have sponsors names stamped on their shirts. "We

stamped on their shirts. "We can only legislate for soccer as a whole. It is up to the other parties to decide what they want", the FA spokesman added. Derby, whose first team party are to receive cars as part of the deal with Saab, will be among clubs pressing for the right to lave their sponsors name emiroidered on their shirts at the League's annual meeting.

If they succeed, it could mean

succeed, it could mean

entitled to vote."

first to win their shirts



Latchford (extreme left) scores Everton's first goal against Aston Villa at Old Trafford.

Villa fought back Cropley's shot struck team colleague Deehan and bounced over the Everton crossbar. Villa gained the game's first corner

worth.

Aston Vills, without Gray and Carrodus, took a gamble on England's full-back Gidman. Gidman, after having pain-killing injections for an injured groin, was in the line-up. With Gray missing, Graydon was back in the side for only his second game since October. Cowains came in for Carrodus, with Smith substitute. Everton, also hit by injuries, were without Jones and Kenyan. Nineteen-year-old Robinson stepped in at right back with Lyons in Kenyon's dolensive place. But the transport of the account of the first migute, the total receipts to over \$500,000.

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millions of pounds a year. Despite this, UEFA still refuse to permit advertising on jerseys

Yesterday's results

Scottish second division

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surized the Everton defence the ball came out to the Villa capitain, who hit a drive from 35 yards that left Lawson flying vainly in midzir. But better was to come for Villa. Just a minute later, the hard working Little stormed down the right and forced Lawson to rush out to the adge of the box. Little turned the ball inside the goalkeeper and a defender into the corner of the net.

But Everton were not finished. Only three minutes later, they were on level terms. In a packed Villa goalmouth Lyons got a touch for the equalizer as the ball surized the Everton defence the

for the equalizer as the ball bounced around the goalline. But more excitement was to come at Villa almost clinched it Gidman powered in a shot that had Lawson stranded, bur Darracott cleared off the line. So the final, which has taken three matches and 300 minutes of football, went into another half hour of extra time.

Villa maintained the pressure at the start of the first spell of extra-time and Little almost deceived Lawson with an overhead kick from the right. But the Everton goalkeeper managed to

pull it down. The Everton defence's anxity over Little's brilliant runs were emphasized when two defenders chased him, letting Graydon go through the middle. But he wasted the chance middle. But he wasted the chance by shooting over.

Everton came back shortly after-wards and Gidman collapsed in the Everton half with a recurrence of his groin injury. The Mersey-siders made space down the left and, when Goodlass put in a good cross, Latchford had a chance but fell over in the box. Gidman was replaced by Smith just before the changeover. At the start of the second half of extra-time, Everton sent on Seargent for Pearson.

ASTON VILLA: Burridge, Gloman (sub, Smith: Nicholl, Phillips, Robson, Crooley, Mortimer, Cowans, Lille, Francis, Derhan sub Smith: EVERTON: Lawson, Robinson, Darect, Leons, McNaught, King, Hamilton, Dobson, Latchlord, Paarson (mb Seargeant): Goodla's, Referee; G. Kow (Middleskrough).

Today's fixtures RUGBY UNION: Taunton

## Derby County could be the | England youth side drawn in weakest group Derby County have lined up a currently brings continental teams

Brussels, April 13.—England, who have been champions seven times, are drawn in what must be considered the weakest group for the European youth football the Surgean your rootoan championssips here must mouth.

They face Belgium, who finished filth in the eight-nation Cannes tournament last weekend, Iceland and Greece, who qualified for the finalis by beating last year's beaten finalists thousary.

Learne Cup final second replay
Asian Villa (b) 3 Everton (1) 2
Nobell 2) Lackford Lyons
After entire time finalists Hungary. If they reach the semi-final round, England will play the win-ners of group C containing Northern Ireland, the Soviet Union, the defending champions, who cuty qualified on away goals against Turkey, Austria and Malta.

Group A
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Messelon).
May 21: England v Iceland (a) Turnhoul) and Beigium v Greece (a)
Antworn;
May 23: England v Greece (a) Eeveren)
and Beigium v Iceland (a) Linrae).

Group B May 19; Ireiand v France (at Liege) and Yugoslavia v West Germany (at Genki) May 21; Ireiand v Yugoslavia (at Beringen) and France v West Ger-many (at Liege) west Germany (at Liege) SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier disi-sion: Telford 1, Lettering 2. INTERMATIONAL MATCHES: Hungary 2, Poland 1 (at Budapes): Bufgaria 3, Denmark 1 (at Solia). Eupon) and France v Yugosiavia (at Tongeren).

May 19: Northern Ireland v Soviet
Union (at Mona) and Austria v
Maim (at Ulbrandt).
May 21: Northern Ireland v Maita (at
La Louviere) and Soviet Union v
Austria (at Lambas).
May 23: Northern Ireland v Austria (at
Charleroi) and Soviet Union v Maita
(at Mivolie).

Group D

May 19: Sweden y Nethurlands (at Bruges) and Iraly v Bulgaria (at Warroom)

May 11: Sweden T Bulgaria (at Gheni) and Netherlands v Haly (at Necklon)

Schools festival Results yesterday in the English

schools FA festival of football at Skegness were;
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## Minter-Coopmans contest will have to be postponed

Alan Minter, the European middleweight champion, plans to middleweight champion, plans to postpone his title defence against Rudi Koopmans, of The Netherlands, in Rotterdam on May 9. Minter needed 16 stitches after his eight-round defeat by Ron Harris, the former Olympic champion, at the Albert Hall this week. Doug Bidwell, his manager, confirmed yesterday: "The fight with Koopmans will have to be postponed."

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Minter's main problem is a cut lip, suffered after losing his gumshield, which caused the referee to stop the bout. "In retrospect some people will say that we should not have taken the Harris light" Bidwell said. "I don't agree, for after three rounds we were perfectly satisfied with the way it was going. Alan had taken charge and it was just a matter of time. Then came the cut lip and while this did not deter Alan, It lifted the other man."

He added: "After that every time Alan got on top he seemed to pick up another injury. I don't criticize the referee for stopping the fight, but I think Alan was beaten by circumstances in a concept.

beaten by circumstances in a con-test he would otherwise certainly have won.".

Harris, with a professional record of 16 wins from as many contests, wasted no time in displaying his class. He had one had round—the third—when Minter almost got him with a right, but his skill and ability to silde away from awkward situations opened a gulf which Minter could never close.

Minter could never close.

It was a severe setback to Minter's long-term prospects and it cost him his number four spot in the world ratings, "Harris was just too slippery", he said afterwards, "and every time I caught him, just hung on". Minter then submitted himself ruefully to the doctor and is not likely to be seen again inside the ring for two or three months.

seven consecutive win, this reverse was bad for Maguire, who is pushing for a European championship bout.
His defeat scemed highly unlikely after the cighth, at which stage he appeared to have enough in hand to get home.

likely to be the first for two or three mouths.

Paddy Magnire the British bautanweight champion, was another home boxer to suffer a a rare defeat when Heienfo Ferreira, a 33-year-old Bruzilian beat him in a close finish. After seven consecutive win, this seven consecutive win, this

Rugby Union

## **England upset odds** on enemy territory

By A Special Correspondent England 10

If there were a Triple Crown at 19 Group schoolboy level Eng-and would have won it yesterday by their victory over Scotland at the Meadowbank Stadium in Edinpensity goal. In their previous marches they had defeated Wales 25—0 and Ireland 37—7. This was their hardest match, and for much of the time the odds seemed to be on Scotland, who, as at senior level, are hard to beat on their

own territory.

They may consider themselves unlucky that they did not gain their first victory since 1970 when Andy Irvine was playing for them. Character and determination saved the day for England and they can the day for England and they can thank their magnificent back row of Allchurch. Stevenson and Gregory for their success in an intensely exciting and hard-fought

Emisand began with the wind behind them which induced innumerable errors on both sides. Bryson, who had a splendid allround match, gave Scotland an 
early lead with a magnificent 
penalty from near halfway. England's pack drore well but much 
of the possession was smalled by land's pack drove well but much of the possession was spoiled by Scottish wheeling. Their halves failed to combine and Scotland's defence was outstanding. Just before half-time a bad kick ahead by Scotland went to Metcalfe who made ground, passed to Pitts who ran along the touchline, nearly stumbling, before passing to Melia who scored. Metcalfe converted. After half-time Scotland used

the wind better than England had and several times drove England back 60 to 70 metres. Gregory nearly scored for England after a series of back-now moves but Scotland cleared from the five-metre scrum and encamped for 10 minutes on the England line, winning maul after manl and having four or five clear chances of scoring.

of scoring.

At last England worked their way back and just before time Pitts nearly scored on one wing then Swift on the other. Finally Metcaife came into the line and Pitts scored in the corner. Now to Metcaife came into the line and Pitts scored in the corner. Now to Wilmslow on Saturday (2.30) for the climax of the season against France, who are also unbeaten. For anyone within 100 miles or more the journey should be well worthwinde. If England can recover their poise of previous matches they should achieve their second grand slam in three years.

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## Gosforth are unchanged for Twickenham tie

Roger Utiley will lead an unchanged Gosforth in the John Player Cup Final against Water-leo at Twickenham on Saiurday. The Euglish captain and Duncan The English captain and Duncan Madsen returned unscathed from the Barbarians tour of Wales. The holders will field the side that beat London Welsh in the semilinal round two weeks ago.

Team: B. Patrick: J. S. Gustard, H. E. Patrick: J. K. Britton, J. S. Archer: R. W. Breakey, M. Young: C. White, D. F. Madsen, A. J. Cutter, T. C. Roberts, J. Hedley, P. J. Dixon, R. M. Utiley, D. Robinsod.

The winners on Sahurday will also become the first winners of

The winners on Sahurday will also become the first winners of the RFU's northern merit table; Gosforth hold a narrow percentage lead over Waterloo.

Waterloo were due to visit Gosforth in February, but the date clashed with the second round of

the John Player Cup; so the Twickenham final will be their first meeting this season and will count towards the ment table.

The final will be refereed by Peter Hughes, of Manchester, a dental surgeon. He was elected to the international panel at the start of the season but, like the other English panel members, was not given control of an international.

The all-northern final will again leave Twickentom's vast terraces The all-northern final will again leave Twickenham's vast terraces mainly unpopulated. A Gosforth official, Barry de Zwann, estimates a crowd of over 12,000. "We've had enquiries from all over the country for tickets", he said. "We've already sold 500 stand tickets, but we've told people there'll be plenty of room. Gosforth hate built, up a lot of support over the past couple of years, but it has to be remembered this is a soccer area."

Rugby League.

## Mills controversial choice for touring party

Jim Mills, the Widnes prop forward, was included in the 20-man world Rugby League squad named yesterday by the Great Britain selectors for the Australasian tour this summer.

Mills is a controversial choice because he is banned in New Zealand, where two of the world championship matches are championship matche scheduled to be played. matches

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secretary, said yesterday: "The ban does not apoly to international football, and it will not stop his playing in the world championship games in Auckland and Christchurch."

Mills was banned by New Zealand for life after an incident in which New Zealand international John Greengraff was badly injured while playing against Wales in Swansea in the 1975 international series.

Mr Oxley said: "They can stop

Mr Onley said : " They can stop him playing against Auckland in one of the extra team fixtures, but not against France and New Zealand, which are international board matches." Although several players, notably

Michael Coulman and Bill Ashurst, are not available for the tour the side, which will be coached by David Watkins, of Salford, and managed by Blackpool's Reg Parker, is a strong one. Roger Millward, the Hull Kingston Rovers international olders; is chosen as ward, the Hull Kingston Rovers international player, is chosen as scrum-half and captain although his club form has waned recently. The matches in the world championship are: GB v France in Auckland (Lune 5), GB v New Zealand in Christchurch (June 12) and GB v Australia in Brisbane (June 18). If Britain reach the

Manager protests

Boxing manager Johnny Griffin vesterday accused the Southern-



Zealand.

final they will play at Sydney on June 25. The British party is:

The British party is a G. Faltbaira (Wiean), S. Wright (Widees), L. Dyl (Leuds), C. T. Chandhandson (S. Helden), K. Felding (Sellord), W. Francis (Wigan), J. Holmond, Leuds), K. Billord, M. Millward (1911 KR), S. Nash (Saltord), L. Milly (Ward (Leuds), E. Rowman (Warthau), J. Mills (Widnes), G. Nicholis, S. Releard, T. Martyn (Warthau), K. Elweit (Widnes), P. Lawe (Holler), K. Elweit (Widnes), P. Lawe (Holler), S. Lloyd (Castleford), S. Lloyd (Castleford),

Area Council of staging a " vendetra " against his number two ranked light-heavyweight Tim Wood. Griffin, unset that Wood, the former holder, has been passed over for the vacant title, plans an official protest.

Breitner to come home The German international full-back Paul Breitner will return from Real Madrid to play footbold in West Germany taskt year. Gunther Mast, a rich West Ger-

men businessman closely connected with Eintrache Brunswick, said ther Real Madrid had agreed to Breitner's transfer. — Agence

Communal effort and war spirit as town shows that it cares about its football club

## Luton rising from the financial ashes

By Geoffrey Green

Out of the fluencial climate emerges the social and political scene. Money, if not necessarily the root of all evil, is certainly at the core of most things. Clearly it is so in football, where cash talks loud, and bank managers often have the last word.

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While much of the immediate general talk revolves either around hooligan violence, whether Liverpool will achieve the unique treble of League, FA Cup, and Buropean Cup, or the annual question marks surrounding promotion and relegation, it has perhaps been forgotten that only last December the Football League announced that 87 of its 92 clubs owed film between them.

Most heavily beleasuered among

Most heavily beleaguered among them are Chelsea-with their grandiose plans for a new superstadium that went awry-Portsmouth, Newport County, and Luton Town. All were heavily in debt, and threatened with imminent closure. While some are still cliff-hanging by their ingernalls, one of the more heartening stories has been the way Luton Town have set about trying to put their house into some sort of order.

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E700,000 in the red, and firmly embedded in the second division with falling gates. "The bank manager gave us a straight option", Harry Haslam, the Luton manager for the past five seasons, said: "Dear Smiler", as I call him (since a joke and a grin are seidom far from his lips in suite of the dack clouds.) "Either embedded in the red, and firmly embedded in the second division with falling gates. "The bank manager gave us a straight option", Harry Haslam, the Luton manager for the past five seasous, said: "Dear Smiler", as I call him (since a joke and a grin are seldom far from his lips in spite of the dark clouds.) "Either cut your overdraft, or be liquidated within a mouth."

"There is nothing for it, but to rethink the whole sorry situa-tion, roll up our sieeres and get down to a rescue operation. We went out into the highways and byways, knocked on doors we had never considered before, and sur-prisingly found them opened unto "But first we reduced over-

By the end of the current season, Haslam calculates, that £700,000 burden will have been

reduced to £250,000. It has been

"People really have responded wonderfully", continued Haslam. "We were honest with them over the position, and the truly heartwarming side to it all has been that we discovered the town really cover. cares. It has been like the spirit of the last war, a communal effort, a closing of ranks in the face of danger. Only this time, it is a war against finance.
"Local organizations, firms, and individuals have all pulled

and individuals have all pulled together in one way or another with sponsorships, gifts, donations—both large and small—or by buying shares in the club. We reckoned, too, that an \$.000 gate would help to keep us afloat, but now the average crowds have risen to between 11.000 and 12.000. I'll tell you something. We shall win this battle, and even the bank manager is looking happier. win this battle, and given the bank and at all an are in a saddy, we've been forced to noise and sell players, of course—some 16 of them in as many months. But the game,"

most of them still come back to visit us. There's a family spirit here,'
Luton have offloaded a number of performers of some note in their time to keep the wolf from the door—Malcolm Macdonald, Givens, Halom, Viv Busby, Bruce Rioche, Nicholl, the present Aston Villa captain, and Anderson, a scoring wing half who went to Royal Antwerp to keep the bank manager quiet. monager quiet.

Haslam even acquired Derek
Hales from a non-League side
because he felt be could score

because he feit be could score goals. But because Halom at the time was doing the job adequately, he sold Hales to Charlton Athletic for £10,000. Now Hales is at Derby County, who had to dig into their pockets for £230,000. That is the way football trading goes. goes.

Looking to the future, Luton,

Looking to the future, Luton, unable to enter the transfer market, are developing young home-grown talent. Haslam also is trying to persuade his directors to reduce the Kenilworth Road ground capacity from 25,000 to 18,000 with provision of seats for all at £1 a head. That is one way to limit the hooligans whose noise and animal behaviour, sadly, is beginning to take over the game."

## Bland breezes ahead on a blissful day

From John Hennessy La Manga, April 13

John Bland, of South Africa, took the lead on the first day of the Spanish open gelf championship with a round of 68, four under par, here today. He is followed, a stroke behind, by Douglas McClelland [Britain] and Baldovino Dassu (Itay), and, two strokes behind, by a clutch of players, including two Britons, Bernard Gallacher and Philip Elson.

Elson.

It was a blissful day for golf, with unbroken sunsitine, and enough blow of wind to add a touch of adventure. In the circumstances, the course (6,911 yards) stood up well to the assault of 150 players.

Bland's start was unpromising. He took a three at the vulnerable 349 yards first hole, but the bunkers at the fourth and seventh claimed a shot each. Thereafter this composed South African, so aprly named, could hardly put a club, particularly his putter, wrong. Single putts from as far as 25 feet and as near as 3ft claimed birdies on the Sth, 11th, 14th, 15th and 17th.

and 17th.

While much of this was going on I-kept company with Gallacher, the first of any of the Entons to make the running (McClelland to make the running (McClelland teeing off later in the morning). Starting from the 10th the, he rattled in a 50 foot part on the 15th (sixth to him) and wedged to within a foot at the next hole. A bunker shot and a foot foot putt at the third put him three under par and a clear leader of the tournament to that early noint.

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The course struck back, however, at the fourth, where a good drive found a bad ile and an awkward stance, and the seventh, where he came off his drive a little and was stymied by one of the 3,000 palm trees. Yet he maintained his form and, after seeing an eight foot putr for a two at the 218 yards eighth slip past, he played a delicious pitch from 50 yards to a foot for a four at the 54S yards minth.

O'Leary was playing with Callacher and stood with him on the first tee (their 10th) two under par, but he was a picture of despair when I picked them up again at the seventh (397 yards). Caught

pair when I picked them up again at the seventh (397 yards). Caught by a bunker, he took a six there and then put his selond at the last hole among the frogs frolicking (if that is what they were doing) beside Lago El Cabezo and was pashed to escape with a five. Another British Isles player, Arnold O'Connor, of Ireland, went out in 34. When I caught up with

him on the twelfth, however, he took three putts, which drove him to distraction, and uttered three expletives, which drove me to other fields of activity. Golf eciquette, for me, means something more than raking bunkers and standing still while the other man putts.

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man putts.

In the afternoon Ballesperos, the In the afternoon Ballesteros, the younger, threatened to storm ahead. A huge putt on the ninth put him two under par, but thereafter the kiss of death from New Printing House Square descended upon him.

Three putts at the tenth and a ragged five at the 361 yard lith brought him back among the pack. He fought back to two under par but the short 17th atterly confounded him. First in the water and their in the sand, he took a five.

Cook a five.

Leading scores
68: J. Biand (S Africa).
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Cleikind (GB), B. Dassn (Haly).
70: P. A. Esseni (GB), M. Sancher
Spain), B. Sallacher (GB), H.
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(S Africa), B. Vaughan (GB), P.
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(US), F. Shirm (Solin), P. Colling
(France), S. Torrence (GB), M.
Pinnero (Spain), J. Benito (Spain),
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(reland), S. Esilasteros (Spain),
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(GB), L. Stanley (Australia), D.
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M. A. Esilasteros (Spain),
B. Barnes (GB), J. Carner (GB),
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Barber (GB), S. Owen (NZ), M. D.

La Manga course Out 3,593 36

## **Tradition of the Masters** pursued at Moss Creek

Hilton Head, South Carolina,

April 13Three hours' driving eastward from the scene of the Masters tournament lies Moss Creek, a golf course on this island where an attempt is being made this week to establish for women professionals a tournament comparable, at least in style, to that other event.

The promoters, a group of com-panies reflecting the resort nature of the island, are well aware they have a long way to go before they achieve that goal. At the start they falled, under threat of a court injunction, to secure the use of the name "Masters" for this thurnment Fact were the first tournament. East year the first tournament was held under the name of Women's International; but now, in its second year, it is more easily identified as the tournament Sally Little of South Africa won by holing out from a bunker for a birdie at the 72nd

for what is being attempted by mking part. They are beaded by Kathy Whitworth, who by her victory a fortught ago in Callfornia, set herself firmly ahead in career earnings and prestige.

The low-key dollar aspect of the tournament is in line with the Masters, and there are other respects in which the tradition of that event is being pursued. Invinctous were sent to last year's Cards Cup team. As a result, Idla Greenhalgh is here from Britala, and from the American side, Beth Daniel, Barbara Barrow. Nancy Syms and Nancy Lopez. The play of Miss Barrow and Mise Syms in practice yesterday was quite indispractice yesterday was quite indi-tinguishable from that of the pro-fessionals.

A good deal of prestige has been added to the event by the arrival late last night, after a spot of visa trouble, of Lady Heathcom-Amory (formerly Joyce Wethered), the tournament's answer to Bobby Jones, whose spirit still strongly pervades the Masters at Augusta. Also here are Mr Tom Harrey, captain of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, and Mr Laurie Auchierionic, honorary professional to that club. Other personalities here this Prize money is about half that of the LPGA championship and one third that of Colgate's \$240,000 (about £140,000) Winners' Clirice, which has again become the largest event of the women's Sam (about £1,700,0000) circuit, with the backing-out this year of a certain tobacco company as sponsors. Inspite of this, all the top women professionals—the leading 10 in the order of merit and 33 out of the top 40 among others—have shown their appreciation

Also here are Mr Tom Harvey, captain of the Royal and Ancient found for the Royal and Ancient function. Other personalities from the Colf. Other personalities from the Carly. Other personalities from the Royal and Ancient function. Other personalities f

## British junior champions account for Australians

By Rex Bellamy Tennis Correspondent

Two British Junior tennis champions beat Australians to reach he last eight of the men's singles in the Debeabams tournament at Hamostead yesterday. Christopher Brudnam, who holds the junior grass court title, won 7–6, 7–6 against Warren Maher, and Andrew Jarrett, junior champion on clay, beat Geoffrey Braun 6–4, 12 treats next convers 41 6-4. Jarrett's next opponent will be the flabby but hard-hitting Dale Collings, who served for the match against Adrienn Panatta at

Collags, who served for the match against Adriann Panatra at wimbledon last year.

Another interesting match was exclusively Australian. The 1974 winner, Keth Hencock, who had live set points in the first pebreak, was beaten 7—6, 7—6 by Tim Clements. Hancock's frustrations were such that he perulantly whacked loose balls into the distance and was threatened with disqualification after which he

distance and was threatened with disqualification after which he settled down to tennis again without playing quite well enough to resist an opponent four years his junior.

Maher had saven set points in his second set with Bradnam. They played 14 games before either had a break point. It seems possible that the otherwise admirable Gresstex courts (newly installed), which contrast sharply with the bournament's traditional shale surfaces, may be too fest to provide an ideal surface for tournament competition at this level. (The prevailing fashion is for s'nw prevailing fashion is for s'ow courts rather than fast ones). But courts rather than fast ones). But it is 100 snow to make a tirm judgment. This is the first Sritish tournament played on Grastea Britain's national team magnuer. Paul Hutchins, hopes to have a "bubble" built over two of the clay courts at Queen's Club in readiness for next winter's programme of competition and precitive for the 30 or so yourcasters in the development scheme. It is just a question of raising the money for a verture Mr Hutchins regards as vital to Britain's international progress. At present the national progress. At present the trainees have to share wooden indoor courts with club members and have no claim on court time at weekends. He wants the exclu-

sive use of two courts—with shale surfaces rather than clay.

At present there are no facili-

tics for weekend practice." Mr
Hutchins said yesterday, "and it's
ridiculous that we are practice."
On wood. You can't develop any
shots on fast wood. From the age
of 14 perhaps even younger, they
must play on a slow surface. It
frey start on a fast one they can't
adapt lafer on. The important
thing is to get them up to "
standard at which they can adapt
to any surface.

"That is why one has to have
a slow surface to start with
tuness I have the facilities I can't
plan anything. It has been one of
my major objectives to improve
training facilities for youngsterin this country, and I shall be
very discipantited if I don't achieve
this in my three years." (His contract with the Lawn Tennis Assoclation will expire next February.)
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Australia beat Miss I Britis I Grand I

# ezes ahea French cooking up a repeat victory

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

The Nell Gwyn Stakes was won by a fifty trained in France a year ago and there are grounds for thinking that it may well be won by another at Newmarket this atternoop. Twelve months ago Flying Water came from Chantilly to stamp her authority on the Heath and today Assez Cuite will be trying to do likewise.

Her trainer, John Fellows, chose this race because he wanted his filly to run on the best ground possible and he should certainly, have no cause for complaint Louking through the French and English Free Bandkaps yesterday I was intrigued to see that Assez Cuite was given the same weight as Lady Mere in France and that Triple First was on the same mark as Lady Mere here. That suggests that there should be nothing between Assez Cuite and Triple First this afternoon.

Obviously, much will depend on the finess of these the principal

made their mark in England this season by wiuming the 1,000. Guineas Trial at Ascet, and now. I am inclined to think that they will strike again.

After winning her first race at Deauville last August Assez Cuite then finished second to the redoubtable Blushing Groom in the Prix de la Salamandre lat Lovg-champ. That was a good-perform-

Easy, Rings and Morida on this occasion. Encouraged by the way that Bruce Hobbs's horses have been running this spring. our Newmarket correspondent tiribks that Haco will make her presence felt Last autumn this Tribal Chief filly almost beat Running Bull on this course and Running Bull in the considered up to taking part in a race as good as the Greenham Sakes at Newbury later this week.

with Assez Cuite

The Nell Gwyn Stakes apart, there is not a lot to commend today's card now that the Abernant Stakes has been Abernant Stakes has been removed and included in Wednesday's programme. The third round of the Crown Plus Two Apprentice Championship is just an ordinary handicap, but it could spark off a treble for Henry Cecil. Fawn is not without a chance of winning, and nor are her two stable companions, Habeebti (4.5) and Call of the Deep (4.35). Cecil is hopeful that Abergwaun's half sister, Habeebti, will turn out to be better than just a handicapper and she ispreferred to Burley and Angelos for the Wishech Handi-

and struggled in a well-besten sixth.

The Grend National was a disaster for Michael Buckley, the owner, and Peter Bailey, the trainer. They lost their good steeplechaser, Zeta's Son, and the course proved too much for Prince Rock. However, the last-named made aments with a gallant performance is the Golden Miller Handicap Szeplechase.

Prince Rock's cause looked lost

jumped ahead at the last, but then Prince Rock forged through relentiessly to hit the front close home and win going away by two lengths. The unlucky horse was Moonlight Escapade, who broke down at the last but still finished second.

## Young Auld wins on third outing in public

Andrew Auld will always remember Ripon racecourse. A former member of Michael Jarvis's Newmarket stable, Auld joined Bill O'Gorman's yard just three months ago and on only his third public ride he scored his first win, with Herrings Well, who brought the diminutive Sharp Pad's winning run to an end in the Fountains Stakes.

Sharp Pad was smartly out of the stalls in the hands of Oliver Gray and looked as though he was set to complete a treble until Herrings Well went clear at the furlong marker.

Gray objected to the winner for "bumping and boring "a furlong out and after a lengthy stewards' inquiry, the objection to the winner was overruled. O'Gorman said: "Herrings Well cost only 500 guineas at the Newmarket Sales and will now probably be put away for a small nursery." Herrings Well is owned by Arthur McCormick, who runs a private school for American students whose parents work on the oil rigs in the North Sea.

Gold Streak, who broke a bone furlong marker.

oil rigs in the North Sea.

Gold Streak, who broke a bone in his knee early in his career and has had a whole catalogue of misfortunes including being taken out of his horsebox nearly dead, on the motorway, achieved his second successive win with a two-and-half lengths victory from Legal Play in the Dauby Selling Handicap

Grand Hope and Africa Starcut out much of the early running. With just over a furloug still to travel. Gold Streak, who was strugging off a 7th penalty for a win at Haydock Park, strode clear.

clear.

Gold Streak, who cost 3.500 guineas as a yearing at the Newmarket Sales, attracted plenty of attention at the subsequent auction and, after a rare tussle with Harry Blackshaw at the sales ring, the owner-trainer Anthony Johnson, from Upper Lambourn, had to go to 1.950 guineas to buy his horse in. Johnson said: "My stable is in great form. That is my third winner with only six runners." Tunners."

Master Marton sprang a surprise win in the opening Hackfall Apprentice Handicap Stakes when totting up by an impressive one length and a half from Landscaper. My Chopin, the 6-4 favourite, tursed in a dismal displey and, after feding rapidly from two out, trailed in out of the first eight. Master Marton, who was 33-1, is a half brother to the smart Herriot, cost 600 guineas and is owned by two Huddersfield businessmen, Frank Aykeroyd and Jeffrey Wilson. leffrey Wilson.

Stephen Jarvis, the 17-year-old eldest son of the Covening trainer Alan, was registering his fifth success and took it up at the helf-way man

Newmarket selections

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

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4.5 WISBECH HANDICAP (3-y-0 : £1,854 : 6f)

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By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Cumard. 2.30 Blyth's Folly. 3.5 Assez Cuite. 3.35 Fawn. 4.5 Habeebtl. 4.35 CALL OF THE DEEP is specially recommended.

2.0 Cunard. 2.30 Paper Rich. 3.5 Haco. 3.35 Jam. 4.5 Habeebtl. 4.35 Call of the Deep.

2.30 CHARLES TURNER STEEPLECHASE (Hunters: £468:

Cheltenham (NH) programme

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Zabaglione. 3-1 Bargello's Wonder, 9-2 Doubly I on Mist, 12-1 Indium, 20-1 pikers.

2.0 PAINSWICK HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £641: 3m)



Mrs McArdy (foreground) wins Newmarket's Tote Free Handicap from Baudelaire (right).

## Mrs McArdy confirms a rumour

It was ladles' day at Newmarket yesterday. After the victory of Tudor Jig in the Northern counter-Tudor Jig in the Northern counterpart at Newcastle on Monday, Michael Easterby completed a splendid double when Mrs McArdy ran out a decisive winner of the Tote Free Handicap. Earlier in the afternoon Luca Cumani bad introduced an unraced Vaguely Noble filly, Vaguely Deb, to romp home in the Wood Ditton Stales.

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Gies Pritchard-Gordon's Heaven Knows, one of the oursiders of the field at 33-1, completed the fillies triumph when capturing the group III Earl of Selton Stakes.

The rot was only stopped when Nick More posterior The rot was only stopped when Dick Hern saddled Lady Beaver-brook's gallam gelding, Boldboy to win the Abernant Stakes for the win the Abertant Stakes for the third year running.

There is no holding the Easterby brothers nowadays. A Rumour that Mrs McArdy was the equal of Tudor Jig on the gallops at Milton proved entirely correct. And what is more, the filly's supporters backed their opinion with hard cash. Laid last week by the sponsors at 25-1, Mrs McArdy started one of four joint favourites at 8-1 yesterday.

yesterday.

The story of the race is easily told. The field split immediately into two groups. The bulk of the runners, headed by Brightelmstone, Claddagh, Cramond, and the strongly fancied Policitos raced under the stands rails. Mandrake Major, Mrs McArdy, and Champagne Willie elected to race on the far side of the course. Racing into the dip, the fifty gained the upper hand, and drawing away, on the final climb beat Baudelaire by two and a half lengths, with Brightelmstone two lengths furtheraway third.

Mrs McArdy is owned by Mrs Edith Kettlewell from Aysgarth

in Yorkshire, and was ridden by Taffy Thomas. The three yearold was bought privately from 
Easterby as a yearling for 1,200 
guineas. She is by Tribal Chief 
out of Haniaa, who was one of 
three mares purchased by the 
Malton trainer from Lord Grimthorpe, when he decided to give 
up breeding just over three years 
ago. Mrs McArdy may possibly 
chance her arm against Cloonlara 
in the 1,000 Guineas. Duncan 
Sasse, the trainer of Bandelaire, 
said that the Klairon colt might 
be tilled against The Minstrel in 
the 2,000. 
Although Mrs McArdy's victory

be titled against The Minstrel in the 2,000.

Although Mrs McArdy's victory was well expected, that of Heaven Knows came as a complete surprise both to her owner and to her trainer, Ron Smyth. Heaven Knows is certainly a useful filly, Last year she won the Lingfield Oaks Trial, and ran pretty well in good class company afterwards. But yesterday she appeared backward in her coat and even at her best could hardly have been expected to prove a match for the Champion Stakes winner, Vitiges. Peter Walwyn's four year-old, who was syndicated for 920,000 guineas last December, looked magnificant in the paddock beforehand, but ran inexplicably badly. The 9-4 on favourite was cantering when pulled out to challenge three furlongs from home, but Eddery was soon hard at work. Vitiges eventually finished fourth. Walwyn had no excuses to

Vitiges eventually finished fourth. Walwyn had no excuses to offer. "Vitiges has been working well at home with Oats", the trainer said. "And I thought he was pretty straight in condition." But this is not the first time that good horses have falled to give their running first time out. Vitiges's next target was to have been the Prix Ganay at Longchamp on May Day, but after yesterday's poor performance, the Seven Barrows trainer is rempted

bury Stakes, on Saturday week as a preliminary.
Vaguely Deb's success could not have been more impressive. Cumant thinks that this tall, gangling filly, standing over 17 hands in height, would be entirely unsuited to Epsom. Either the Pretty Polly Stakes on this course on Guineas day or the Musidora Stakes at the York spring meeting will be the filly's next objective. If she passes that test with flying colours, the Irish Guinness Oaks could be the next item on Vaguely Deb's agenda.

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The filly belongs to Leo Gatto-Roissard, who was also the owner of Konafa, runner-up to Flying Water in last year's 1,000 Guineas. After Vaguely Deb's success, her stable companion. Freeze The Secret, who runs in this afternoon's Nell Gwyn Stakes was backed down from 40-1 to 20-1 for the first of the fillies' classics. Boldboy's victory was a joy to watch. Despite his 9st. 120, the seven-year-old never looked in danger of defeaf as Carson drove him along with hands and heels in the last two furiongs. Boldboy's total whunings of nearly £48.000 is the largest amount ever amassed by a gelding in the history of racing. "We'll he back to try and make it a four-timer next year", Lady Beaverbrook's racing manager. Sir Gordon Richards said. Boldboy's next race will probably be in the Lockinge Stakes

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The opening Bartlow Maiden Stakes fell to Michael Stoute when Lady Peg., showing the utmost gallantry, resisted the sustained challenge of Aggraphia to beat her by a head, under Greville Starkey's strong driving. The filly is owned by the Duke of Devonshire and is one of three two-year-olds that one of three two-year-olds that he transferred to Stouts after the tragic death of Atty Corbett.

TOTE: Win, 77p; places, 26p, 36p, 21,05, 21p, M, W. Easterby, at Flaxion, C. J. Limin 26,02sec.

C'si. 2i. imin 26.22sec.

5.35 (5.36) LADERCKE ABERNANT
STAKES (25.590; 6f)
Boldboy, b g, by Bold Lad—Solar
Echo : Lady Besverbrook; 7-9-12
Doin Song W. Carpon (6-4 2w) 1
Doin Song W. Carpon (6-4 2w) 2
Dur Jimmy ... G. Sterkey (5-1; 3
ALSO RAN: 13-2 Hillandate, 10-1
Upediazy (44h; 13-1 Overtown, 14-1
Divine King, 25-1 Skin Doep, 8 run.
TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 12p, 24p,
13p; duni forecast, fi. 22. W. Hern,
at West Insley. 2-1, 3, 1 Imin

4-9-4 B. Taylor (35-1) 2 Lack Wednesday J. Mercer (12-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 4-9 fav Villess (4th), 70-1 Omner B, 12-1 Claudia Nicolai, Surrogetta, 35-1 Royal Conductor, Lashwa San Ripa, 10 ran. TOTE: Win, 22.74; piece, 93p, 27p, 23p; dual forecas, 25.61, R. Smyth, at Egeom. 1-1, 11. Imin, 52.61sec. at Egeom. 1.s., 11. 1mtn. \$2.81sec.
4.50 (4.41) APRIL STAKES (5-y-0: \$1.347; 11.ml)
Salies, ch c. by Balvo—Sconer Or
Lator (Count C. Bellerm), 8-0
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Wild Spring P. Eddery (9-1)
General George L. Piggott (13-6) 3
Al30 RAN; 11-1 is 2 Soa Boat, 8-1
Cur And Run (5th), 13-2 Cerus,
13-1 Gulf Of Cortich, 16-1 Totowih,
20-1 Privy Consort, 53-1 Creanline,
Davout, Mehogany, Major Swift The
Durcott, Academie: Watchful, 18 rain,
TOTS: Win. Salian 30p, Wild Spring
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13p, Ceneral George 24p, Salian (J.
Hindey, at Newmarket): Wild Spring
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51. 2mm 38.94sec TOTE DOUBLE: Mps McArdy and Hunten Knows. 2165.28. TREBLE Vanacty Deb. Boldboy and Salan E29.20. Vagacty Deb. Boldboy and Kild Spring 253.40. JACKPOT: No won. No consolation dividend. 4,45 (4.50) GREWELTHORPE STAKES 2-y-0: \$731; 6()

not run.

3.45 (5.47) STUDLEY ROYAL HANDICAP (-7-0: 2770: 11-m)
Prince Carl. b C. by Connaught—
Mandide d'Amour (Mrs J. Ridehalph, 9-2 N. Crowther (5-2) 1
Acquittal G. Baxter (9-4 it fav) 3
Westward Boy E. Auter (9-4 it fav) 3
ALEO RAN: 10-1 Hollow Away (4th).
11-1 Wan 14. 5 ran.
TOTE: Win. 5'pp: forecast, 80p. J.
Hindley, Newmarket, 11-1, 13.

Brighton course fit

Chester Cup

First Cap: Centrocon. 4-9-0;
Belliaks, 4-8-8; Ranksborough, 5-8-8;
Echo Suminit, 5-8-5; Beed Dutch, 4-9-0;
Belliaks, 4-8-8; Ranksborough, 5-8-8;
Cho Suminit, 5-8-5; Beed Dutch, 4-9-0;
Gibbons, 6-8-2; Saa Pigeon, 7-8-1;
Ribarharo, 4-8-0; Japsilk., 4-7-11;
Ribarharo, 4-8-0; Japsilk., 4-7-11;
Rasturdi, 4-7-1; Palmersion, 4-7-10;
Tarzalline, 4-7-8; Minstrel Song, 4-7-8;
Trustral, 6-7-5; Minstrel Song, 4-7-8;
Trustral, 6-7-5; Might in Town, 6-7-6;
True Song, 8-7-5; Cadogan Lunc, 7-7-5;
Night Nurse, 6-7-1; Chance Belle, 4-1-1;
Peterhol, 5-6-12; True Lad, 4-6-11; Wester Medow, 6-6-10; Linkenholk, 7-6-8; Montroal Boy, 6-6-7; Sex Kestrel, 6-6-7; Monte Geo set qualified, 70 e run over two miles, two furious and 97 yards at Chester on May 4.

2-y-o: S731: 61:

Now Lane, Ch. C. by Boreen—Now
Mover (T. Freer), 9-0 M. Birch

Murs Bong, ... T. Nos (5-2);

Mydel Fleid, ... E. Apter (14-1);

ALSO RAN: 11-1 Duchess 14-1;

Knight, 20-1 Bash (44th; Bitofaboy,
Jungle Rock, Lunesdale, Pure Purple,
25-1 Major Go, Royal Jaunt, Sieve
Leugo, Pelitt, 14 ran.

TOTE: Win, 22p; places, 13g, 14g,
17p. M. H. Easterby, Melton, 71, 74. 5.15 (5.20) SPA WELTER STAKES 

Cheltenham NH Cheltenham NH

2.0:1, Spanish Trick (15-2); 2. The Carinthian (10-1); 3. Rusthall (7-4 fav. 17 fan. 2.5:1, Prince Rock (100-50; 2. Moonlicht Escapade (16-1); 3. Rudder's Boy (35-1), 10 ran. Kings Flame (5-2 fav. 5ponger did not ran. 5.5:1, Garileston (16-1); 2. Good Prospect (11-1); 3. Forlorn Raid (25-1), 22 ran. Mourndyke, 4-2 fav. Shakadawn, Just Jolly, Uncle Cyril and Ismount VI did not rin. 3.40:1, Peterhof (1-2 fav); 2. Itsu (9-4); 3. Tonic (16-1); 6 ran. 4.15: 1, Village Slave (16-1); 2. Brown Admiral (100-50); 3. Lord Brownfold (5-1 20); 8 ran. 4.4.5: 2. 1 NI Forever (9-2); 2. Trus Prince (6-1); 5. Sounding Arch (9-2); 16 ran Broadon 11-4 fav. Professor Plum did not rus.

Prize money at Goodwood this season totals 5345,000. The Waterford Crystal Mile has been promoted to group II status, and the sponsors are contributing £15,000 of the £20,000 added money. Drainage improvements have been com-

Equestrianism

## Rewarding afternoon for Captain Phillips

Captain Mark Phillips is in the Captain Mark Phillips is in the overall lead with only 19 penalties on Drumwhil after all the horses have done-their dressage and show lumping for intermediate and open intermediate sections at the Windsor Horse Trials sponsored by the Midland Bank, which started on Smiths Lawn, in Windsor Great Park yesterday. Captain Phillips also won one of the three novice sections on Evening Breeze, a Yorksittre-bred horse by the premium stallion Evening Trial.

'Another novice horse went to Another novice horse went to Mrs Hammond's Clear Gold, ridden by the Polish national champion, Peter Plasecki, who will be riding her horses to gain experience until Tidworth next month. Bedevilled by the weather last rear which coursel is the period of the peter residence. last year which caused it to be reduced in scale to a one-day event. Windsor has now been restored to a full blown two-day event for both the intermediate and the open intermediate horses and extract event 200. and entries exceed 300. The going is excellent after an hour of rain in the morning for the speed and endurance phase, which has been brought forward

Bill Thomson has built an entirely new cross country course, on the large side, which covers 800 metres of Windsor Great Park over attractive country. A couple of cunning choices have been provided for the benefit of those whose confidence in their horses enables them to take the time-saving measures, and there is no water jump. rater jump.
At the request of Princess Anne At the request of Princess Arms the former hurdles on the steeple-chase course have been replaced by regulation birch fences. A well-supported junior class will doubtless assist the selectors of the British junior team to defend the European championships Breeze, 33; 2. Miss P. A. Whitburn: 5
Just Reward, 53; 5. Miss E. Boone's
Gold Seal, 40. Section C: 1, R. C. A.
Hammonu's Clear Gold IP, Plasecki.
2. Mrs A. D. Orchard's Travanoirs
19tiss A. Douglas-Pennent: 36: 3.
Miss A. Wood's At Last, 47
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Cricket

## Sikander sets up an easy win for Pakistan

Kingston, April 13.-The Pakistani cricketers took just one hour this morning to complete a six-wicket victory over Jamaica in the four-day match here.

Pakistan, 76 for three overnight. reacted only 54 more runs to win and they made them for the loss of Nightwatchman Iqbal Qasim who became Richard Austin's ninth victim of the match.

The success of Austin, a medium pace bowler who took six for 67 in Pakistan's first innings and finished with three for 36 today, should make batsmen wary in the decisive fifth Test which begins here on Friday.

Yesterday Sikander took seven wickets for 57, causing all the home tram's batsmen problems with his pace and bounce. Four of his victims were caught by wicketkeeper Taslim Arif and two others by close fielders, as batsmen defended awkwardly against lifting deliveries.

The last vine Immican wickets

The last mine Jamaican wickets fell for 59 runs, leaving Pakistan only 130 runs to gain a morale-boosting victory. Despite the loss of two early wickets, Zaheer Abbas raced to 56 before he was out just before close to make a win virtually certain for his team. The Pakistabis were 249 for six in reply to Jamaica's 301 at the start of the day and, although losing Indichab Alam run out after adding only two to his overnight 77, they registered a first innings lead of 11. Saleem Altar was meluly

responsible with an undefeated Although Sikander quickly re-moved opener Basil Williams to a slip catch by Zaheer when Jamaica batted a second time, Jamaica batted a second time, there was no indication of the collapse to follow when Richard Austin and Herbert Chang added 58 for the second wicket. Intikhab broke the partnership by catching Austin off his own bowling for 27 and that started the slide. The left-handed Chang, hooking at a bouncer, was caught off his giore off Sikauder for a fluent 50—revenge for the young Pakistani who had earlier been hit for four boundaries in one over by Chang. over by Chang.

Kingston, April 13.—Two altrounders, Collis King and David Holford, have been added to the West Indies squad for the decisive fifth Test match ugainet Padistan starting here on Friday.

WEST INDIES THORN: B. C. Greendgo, I. V. A. Greendgo, I

Knott's record benefit Alan Knort, the England wicket-keeper, had a record benefit of £27,037 for Kent last year, it was announced yesterday. Knort said: "I am very de-lighted with the wonderful support that I had over the year. I would like to thank all those people who beloed me."

Rackets

## Prenn's formidable service is most decisive factor

By Our Rackets Correspondent

Charles Hue Willams and John
Prann. holders of the Noel Bruce

They made no such mistake in the fourth game in which they amassed a useful lead before their

Charles Hue Willams and John Prenn, holders of the Noel Bruce Cup, played within themselves to beat David Ruck-Keene and Christopher Milue in the amateur rackets doubles championship at Queen's Club yesterday. The score, 15—8, 15—6, 17—14, 13—16, 15—3, gives a fair picture of what went on, the losers making the most of the chances they were given in the third and fourth games.

At the start, and in the last game in which he scored 13 points in one hand, Prenn's serving overwhelmed Ruck-Keene and Milus-Occasionally they managed a winner or two off the wood, but mostly what returns they made presented their opponents with a single "kill". In the third game, Prenn relented and Hue Williams took his eye off the ball.

This respite brought the best out of the losers. Ruck-Keene's growing confidence extended the way, by his feet) and Milne's growing confidence extended the railles. Ruck-Keene used the side walls to advantage and found a service length that had Prenn 19 difficulties. At 14—12, however, Milne hit down a fairly easy ball in the forecourt and his side were made to pay for it.

Snooker

## Mountjoy's duel should be main attraction

pionship which starts at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, on Monday.

Higgins, a fiery Irishman, won the world title at his first attempt in 1972 and was runner-up to Ray Reardon last year. Mountjoy, from Pontywaun, has taken the snooker world by storm. A professional for less than six months, he has won the Pontins Open, the Masters title after beating both Reardon and Higgins and has also qualified for the final of Pot Black.

Reardon, champion for the past four years, begins his title defence against Patsy Fagan of Clapton.

Other first round matches are:

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Hockey

## Two top Scots strikers are disciplined

The clash between Alex Higgins and Douglas Mountjoy of Wales promises to be the main attraction of the first round of the Embassy world professional snooker championship which starts at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, on Monday.

Higgins, a fiery Irishman, won the world title at his first attempt in 1972 and was runner to the starts of the scottish selectors as a disciplinary measure. The official reason given for the omission of these players is that contrary to instructions they took part in a midweek Civil Service

tournament in London while the Scottlsh party was in training. Their places in Dublin will be taken by Brace, of Western, and Murdoch (Slough).

Scotland will play Ireland in Dublin on April 23 and they will need to win in order to keep their hopes alive for the Inter-Condinental Cup in Rome from September 23 to October 1. They beat Ireland 2-0 in Glasgow on March 26. England will play the Netberlands in Dublin on April 23 and Ireland on April 24.

For the record

Yachting

Squash rackets PESHAWAR: Pakistan Open: Semi-final round: Mangood Alamed best Mohibulah Khan, 9—5, 6—9, 9—6. 9—2; Final; Mangood best Atlas Khan.

Cycling Baseball

Triple First this afternoon.
Obviously, much will depend on the fitness of these the principal contenders. Our Newmarket Correspondent told me yesterday that Triple First had done plenty of good homework and earlier this week our French correspondent said that Assez Cuite was in good heart in spite of the vile weather there. The French have already made their mark in England this season by winning the 1,000.

champ. That was a good perform-ance by any standard. Three-year-old fillies are not the most predictable creatures at this time predictable creatures at this time of the year.

Triple First, Be Easy, Rings, Mofida and Haco could form the hard cote of her opposition Triple First won four of her seven races as a two-year-old over distances which varied from five furiouss to a mile. She is versatile, and it will be both surprising, and its appointing if she fails to run well, in the free Handicap, she was just above Be Easy and Rings, who finished second and third, respectively, in the Cheveley Park Stakes. They were completely outclassed by Durtal on that occasion, and in a recent gallop at Lamand in a recent gallop at Lambourn. Durtal proved to be much too good for Mofida as well.

Bearing that in mind, there may not be all that much herween Beasy, Rings and Mofida on this secretion.

Call of the Deep, a wiry-looking half brother to Boldboy, ran Rings to three-quarters of a length Rings to firee-quarters of a length in his only race as a two-year-old and judged on that encouraging performance he has a favourite's chance of winning the Rowley Maiden Stakes. Finally, our Newmarket Correspondent thinks that Cupard, a colt by that smart rackhorse and successful stallion. Crobner, will run well in the Gradby Stakes, although he lacks the experience of Lime Grove, Flashy Looker and Golden Libra.

Garlestown and Good Prospect treated the Cheltenham crowd to a superb finish in the George Duller Handicap Hurdle yesterday. Garliestown just caught his rival in the last strides to give Craig Smith. 4 Sib claiming apprentice, the enviable record of three wins from five rides on Garliestown.

"The horse has only one effort and Craig rides him perfectly", Martin Tate, the trainer, said. He will put Garliestown away for the summer. Mouradyke, a hefty gamble from 12-1 to 9-2 favourite, was not helped by the slow pace and struggled in a well-besten sixth.

Prince Rock's cause looked lost coming down the hill where Happy Ranger and King Flame battled for the lead. Moonlight Escapada jumped ahead at the last, but then

STATE OF GOING (official): New-narket: Good, Lauark: Good, Chellon-am; Good, Breefley (Immorrow): Good, Nowbury (Immorrow): Good official (Immorrow): Good to firm, Bangor-n-Dee (Intmorrow): Good to self.

Newmarket programme [Television (IBA): 2.30, 3.5 and 3.35 races] 2.0 GRANBY STAKES (2-y-o: £1,217: 5f)

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Broadholme, C. British, 8-11.

Gunera, B. Aphana, 8-11.

Golder Libra, R. Hanner, 8-11.

Relicetter, A. Datton, 8-11.

Placet, Locker, E. Reavy, 9-1.

Poss Promise, N. Callighen, 8-8.

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By Promise, N. Callighen, 8-8.

By Promise, N. Callighen, 8-8. 230 BABRAHAM HANDICAP (£1,403 : 12m) 301271- Slyth's Felly, H. Price 1-0-7 3133-13 Mr Forestie (CD), G. Marwood, 5-9-7 1011- Chance Spile (D), R. Jarvis, 4-9-2

3.5 NELL GWYN STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £5,553:7f) 

3.35 CROWN PLUS TWO HANDICAP (3-y-a: £1,646: 1m) 407 00210- 1am (2) B. Nobis 9-G ... C. Rodrigues 4
407 0210- Pairy Pilmerman, J. Hindley, 8-13 ... N. Croycher 7
403 00230-0 Seamerk, A. Coodwill, 8-8 ... P. Young 2
405 230-0 Seamerk, A. Coodwill, 8-8 ... P. Young 2
407 2410- Seamerk, A. Coodwill, 8-8 ... P. Gunn 3
408 2504-23 Denzel, G. Hirwood, 8-7 ... A. Crussy 9
410 2000-0 Seamer Sound, R. Armstrong, 7-11 ... M. Miller 1
411 40004-0 Track Belle, R. Meson, 7-10 ... M. Miller 1
412 80000-0 Miles Candina, B. Kills, 7-9 ... R. Hastle 7 10

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2.15 LEVY BOARD APPRENTICE RACE (£577 : 51) 1 100020. Relative Esse (C-D3, T. Farthurs, 6-9-7.
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2 110020. Dancing Pariner, P. Poston, 6-8-8. A. C. Pos 2.45 TILLTETUDLEM HANDICAP (3-y-o: £302: 11m) 3.15 HOUSTON HANDICAP (3-ro: £769: 1m) 

3.45 ROBERTON STAKES (3-y-0: \$446: 14m) 4.15 STRATHHAVEN HANDICAP (£553 : 5f) 31000-00111-0 Vilsors (C-D). A. Stevens, 6-10-0 00111-0 Song's First (D,B), S. Nesbitt., 5-8-15 00210-0 First, 5-9-15 00210-0 Midnight Flame E. Wermes, 5-7-9 Two konnies (D). J. Linerangion, 15-7-7 3-8 Song's First, 5-2 Two Ronnies, 7-2 Vilhorz, Inight Flame. 4.45 DOLPHINTON STAKES (2-y-0: £454 \ 5f)

5.15 DOUGLAS WATER STAKES (£449 : 1½m) 3 DUUGLAS WAIDA STARES (1245): 1911)

44 Belstein J. Barrény 5-9-0

00-1 Chesawood (B), W. 1. Stophenson, 4-9-0

104-03 Life's Archillon, W. | Marshall, 4-9-0

09- Saow Hope, C. Robinson, 4-9-0

09- By-Way, M. W. Easterby, 4-8-17

Palitoda Folly, J. Duids, 5-8-11

Nearly Broke, A. Birtley, 4-5-11

0-4 Hello Day, S. Norton, 3-7-0

2222-4 Rostov (2), J. W. Wells, 5-7-9

0-11 Rostov, 2-2 Lice's Ambitton, 6-1 By-Way, 10-1 E

Lanark selections By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Master Cutter. 2.45 Velvet Circle. 3.15 Gold Pearl. 3.45 MONEY
IN is specially recommended. 4.15 Two Rounies. 4.45 Whistling
Jenny. 5.15 Rostov. By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Linguistic. 3.15 Colditz Captive. 3.45 Money In.

3.5 HOLMAN STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,198; 3m 1f) 9 40224 The Pitgarlie, F. Rimell, 9-11-9

1 240224 The Pitgarlie, F. Rimell, 9-11-9

2 303-01 Bachelor's Hall, P. Condell, 7-11-8

3 10060 Accord, R. Turnell, 10-11-1

5 022014 Bit of Mehny, Miss Morris, 8-11-1

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5 022014 Bit of Mehny, Miss Morris, 8-11-1

6 01-2221 Me Streight, W. Escher, 9-10-5

10 240400 Cochineal, J. Taplin, 9-10-0

Mr G. Edwards 7

11 000160 Beck's Call. M. Scodamore, 7-10-0

Mr G. Edwards 7

10-1 Accord, 20-1 others. 3.40 BIRDLIP.STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £483: 2m) J. Seagravo 2
P. Pruik 5
S. Feriks 3
A. Thopling 12
M. Brich 5
B. Brich 5
B. Brich 7
B. Bide 7
G. Oldroyd 4
Richard Hutchinson 10
J. Lower
C. Duray 4
C. Duray 12
D. Shuy 7 13
D. Shuy 7 13 4.15 CLEEVE HURDLE (Handicap: £913: 2m 200yd)

Cheltenham (NH) selections

By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Zabaglione. 2.30 Long Lane. 3.5 Bachelor's Hall. 3.40 Fourth Son. 4.15 Montage. 4.45 Coolafancy.



3.5 (3.8) TOTE PREE MANDICAP (3.9-0: £6,531 7f;

Mrs Mcardy, b f, by Triba) Chief Harms (Mrs E. Kerdigwell);

8-0 M. L. Thomas (8-1 )! fav; 1

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#### Boerhaave's Men at Leyden and after By E. Ashworth Underwood

(Edinburgh University Press, The basis of medical education

in the sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries in this country was not anatomy and physiology but the classical Hippocrates and Galen. When an unfortunate doctor in the reign of Elizabeth I declared that Galen was sometimes in error, the President of the Royal College of Physicians got him imprisoned. What was good enough for Galen in the second century was good enough for London in the

Until the advent of Harvey English medical studies were in a backwater as compared with Padua, Montpellier and Leyden. A Regius Professor of Medicine in early seventeenth-century Oxford, required by the terms of his appointment to do four dissections a year, de-clined to do so (according to one account) because he became ill at the sight of blood.

To the tyranny of ancient authority and the incompetence of contemporary practice there was added the further disability that the only two universities which existed in England required that their grad-uates be members of the Church of England. All others were excluded from admission to the degrees. For them it was a godsend that the University of Leyden since its foundation in 1575 had opened its doors to all men irrespective of faith. And it was here that Herman Boerhaave, probably the most successful medical teacher who

The Carlos Complex: a Pattern of Violence, by Christopher Dobson and Ronald Payne (Hodder & Smughton, £5.50). uses the notorious Carlos, the Venezuelan-born assassin and saboteur as the backbone for a revealing study into the ramifications and organization of international terrorism. The authors (journalists on the international terrorists.

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ever lived" taught from 1701 until his death in 1738, attracting students from all over Europe, of which a large number came from the British Isles, including many who had already spent some time at Oxford and Cambridge. It became the task of Dr E. Ashworth Underwood, whose description of Boerhaave I have just quoted, to trace the subsequent careers of all the English speaking doctors of the century who at one time or other studied under him. The result, Boerhaave's Men, is a tribute to an eminent teacher and the completion of a work of devotion and commitment by an author who, after notable service in public health followed a second career as a distinguished historian

The result is quite remarkable. Fifty-five of Boerhaave's men became Fellows or Licen-tiates of the Royal College of Physicians of London and four President: 50 were admitted to the similar institution in Edinburgh and no less than eight became President; and 28 were in the Irish College; 16 became President for one year or more. Forty-five of his Royal Society and, as Dr Underwood points out, for the greater part of 60 years, "the administration of the Society was largely in their hands". In addition, Boerhaave's pupils played a considerable role in the gralution of the London too big.

hospitals of the period. It is no exaggeration to suggest that this outstanding teacher, the holder of Chairs in Clinical Medicine, Botany and Chemistry, contributed to major developments in the his-tory of medicine in this

the evolution of the London

Joel Hurstfield

Sunday Telegraph) show convincingly that Palestiman liberation as a cause is only an excuse, worldwide revolution is the ultimate aim. Could Carlos be another Gavrilo Princep? A frightening future, not least because no state, Israel apart, has yet learnt how to react against trained and organized



By Diana Mosley (Hamish Hamilton, £5.50) The Churchills lived in a world of their own", writes Diana Mosley, but all children brought up in large, loving and self-sufficient families believe the earth turns, or should turn, according to their clock—the Mitfords most of all. "Indiffer-ence to public opinion", she adds in the key sentence of her autobiography, "is an essentially aristocratic virtue; it is rarer than one might imagine." It is, and she has it.

Eccentricity and rebellion were, of course, quite normal in the house of Redesdale-Swinburne and Bertrand Russell were cousins, Nancy threw un-wanted Christmas presents straight on the fire, and Farve would refer to women of whom he disapproved as "meaning-less pieces of meat". Unity and Jessica we have met, and in her gentle way Lady Redesdale was scarcely less memorable. "At scarcely less memorable. "At that time", writes Lady Mosley with characteristic asperity of the Second World War,

... communism was fashionable; once at Crux Easton somebody came with a collecting box and was met by Mun who was staying with us. "Mrs Churchill's fund for what?" I heard her ask; she was dready getting deaf.
"For China."
"Oh, no", sald Mun, "China's too him."

Diana, warned by Namy not to consider herself the centre of attention, played "Swanee" and "Ramona", very slowly, as voluntaries on the organ of the village church, so the first thing to be said about A Life of Contrasts is that it is wholly, if grittily, a Mitford book. The

account conveys more touch-ingly the loyalty with which each rallied round the disasters of the other in turn. The language, too, is characteristic: Farve is still "saintly", Greece "heavenly", sisters are "in deep despair" (ie, temporarily upset) and brother Tom plays the piano. "divinely". This is an ancient and formalized vocabulary which readers of Nancy's novels or Jessica's memoirs will understand and interpret with a discreet austerity: under the bubbles of gush a clear stream of critical intelligence never ceases to

Well, almost never. For Lady Mosley has led a life and written a book not much of contrasts as of contradictions so startling that the reader will be flung between delight and dismay as he reads on. The contrasts lie not merely, as she intends them to between the Mosleys Temple de la Gloire, near Paris, where she has lived for 25 years, and Holloway Jail where, unpleasantly held without charge under Regula-tion 18B, she lived for three and a half; they lie rather between her highly sympathetic intelligence and her intractable

self-deception.
Rub your eyes. Prepara to read once more of "the powerful Czech lobby" against Hitler in 1938 (would that Elizabeth Wiskemann were still alive!), that those who attacked the Munich agreement were warmongers", and that Norman Birkett was the "paid creature" of "unprincipled men". The Allies were to blame for the German invasion of Norway, and subsequent Nazi atrocities are found implicitly modest against the records of Stalin, Tamburlaine and Mao.



Lady Mosley attacks some of them—the concept of "public opinion , for example with scornful courage in this book, but no more than her enemie is she immune to humbus of

It is, moreover, worse than humbug to repeat the old wickednesses that England was responsible" for the outbreak of hostilities, and that it was if grittily, a Mirford book. The Stalin, Tamburlaine and Mao. the job of the world Jewish family is all, and no previous We live in a century of enor- community, not the Nazis, to

extinction in Germany and Central Europe. (How would they have done that? She deplores the ineffectiveness of international committees herself Perhaps a terrorist attack, then, such as killed her loved exfather-in-law Lord Moyne, in 1948? She deplores those too.) It is not the cynicism of these views that saddens so much as the fatigued language
"paid creature", etc-in

When Miss Emmie

By Harvey Pitcher

(John Murray, £5.95)

Was in Russia

save their brothers from Mitford vivacity is placed under wraps whenever the black shirt flies. Fortunately, this is not too often. A Life of Contrasts was completed before David Pryce Jones's Unity: A Quest appeared, and is the better for absence of recrimination on

and happy marriage and every one of his political predictions which they are expressed: has come true but it is more enjoy,

The margins of history

Michael Ratcliffe

disappointing that she chooses to tell us nothing about her first marriage to Bryan Guinness, that central event for all partygoing memoirists of the late

Twenties.
Tantalizingly marvellous accounts of the wedding (50h, yes", I cried, "we will 'Let's all meet in Cappodocia loon".) and of a car crash in Belgravia are quite worthy of the Vile Bodies they helped to inspire and of which Diana is the dedi-catee, while a brilliant sketch of Lady Evelyn Guinness is the funniest thing I have read since Hugh Trevor-Roper's A Hidden Life; but of Guinness himself the most positive information offered is that he didn't particularly want to go to Cappo-docia, anyway. Students of the period may care to follow that

Lady Mosley is an exceptional woman—Randolph Churchill was never rude to her—and a natural writer with a poet's eye for the bizarre occasions of a century she considers in terms of cultural freedom and political competence whelly inferior to that of Goethe and Voltaire: girls in Holloway choosing books with red backs from the library so that they could colour their lips with the dye; herself under house arrest after release, bearing a Messiah in from the Yard quietly posi-tioned a few pews behind. Of prison she writes with precision and no self-pity and of close friends and sisters with wir and unsertimental warmth. A pity of Sir Oswald she says little can't see that coming, then that we should not expect you'd better upt read this angry, they have enjoyed a splendid and happy marriage and every not averse to a little powdered glass in their Bombe Surprise:

## Mapping the territory

The Novel Today

Edited by Malcolm Bradbury list (Manchester University Press, £4.95; Fontana, £1.25) In The Novel Today Malcolm Bradbury has collected a group of important essays on the theory and practice of novel-writing, most of them by practising novelists, writ-ten in the 1960s and 1970s. In his preface Professor Bradthere is "a debate, an inter-national one, in which the business of the novelist is put

under questioning ", and claims further that the recent English novel—which to practitioners and casual readers can often seem like an irrelevant and provincial backwater—is in fact a live, coherent and interesting part of a compli-cated set of changes in the way we look at fiction and its relation to the world. His novelists are primarily

English and American. Among the English he includes David Lodge's "The Novelist at the Crossroads", John Fowles on the process of weiting The French Lieutenant's Woman, B. S. Johnson's archetypal distribe about the need to reject "stories" because stories are "lies", and Iris Murdoch's classic, profoundly influential and until now virtually unob-tainable essay "Against Dryness". There is also Doris Lessing's angry, rueful and illuminating account of the making of the form of The Golden Notebook and the limi-tations of readers' and critics' responses to it, and its com-

"novel of situation Amongst the Americans we have Philip Roth and Saul Bel-

low both examining, somewhat ruefully too, but with an eye to extending their own scope, the quirks and limitations of contemporary American fiction. We have John Barth, in "The Literature of Exhaustion" talking about the modern disgust the liberal respect for the Self and the current admiration for the openly, comically estificial and fictive, which leads to an exposition of the importance of the intellectual seriousness of Borges's elab-orate jokes and labyrings. There are two excellent American academic essays, to

complement these, one, by Philip Stevick on the literature of epocalypse, ebsurdity,-obvious fabrication, which has succeeded the epiphames", inner consciousness and "symbology" of modernism, the other, by Gerald Graff, a scepof the post-modernist break-through", which argues that the assubsticism of modernism is simply developed and elaborated by those ostensibly rebelling against it. The orated rebeiling against it. The French are represented by Butor's excellent essay on "The Novel as Research", a subtle exploration of the nature of story and the nature of sestbetic work. One would have killed something by Barthes and some of Robbe-Griller's polemic on behalf of the nouveau roman, the objecplex, partly parodic, certainly tive style, but not at the self-conscious relationship to expense of this more judicious

the modernist or Tolstoyan and profound piece of think-"novel of ideas" and the rea-ing, I should also have been grateful to have had something German Grass is often in voked, but the writers represented are all, apart from Butor, narrowly transatiantic and English-speaking.

I have listed all these partly because I trust that anyone, like myself, who has tried either to teach, to understand or to write a novel today will immediately recognize that the book is indispensable. It bears out Malcolm Bradbury's con-tention, both in this preface and elsewhere, that the novel, far from dying, is very much alive, and that formal innovation, changes of subject-matter and emphasis are not only hap-pening but being recognized and intelligently discussed by the writers themselves, both in their own work and in that of others. (Self-consciousness, in the writer, in the form, is a trait to which almost all these essays allude with an interest by no means disparaging.)

These essays, even the purely academic ones, are not arid exercises in explication. Nor are they, even the most concerned with particular problems of particular novels, stuff of the "how I sit down to write" kind. They are, like the criticism of Coleridge and Eliot, working in that area where reading, thinking deeply shout writing, and the actual work of writing, clash or coincide for that reason and because they help to map a confused and crowded territory, they make exciting reading.

#### Because the dramatist in-sisted that Charlotte "must definitely be German, definitely not small", the like-ness has always been disguised. Probably just as well: this woman has nothing in common with the people, veterans now and attractively serene, that Mr

and attractively serene, that Mr
Pitcher has talked with: Miss
Emmie, say, or Rosamond
Dowse. Cartainly, eccentric
English types existed (see
Chekhov's early short story, A
Daughter of Albion); but Charlotte's original has alipped into
the dark

neighbour when in 1902, on the estate of Stanislavsky's mother,

he had begun to map his play.

To dwell on her may be unfair: so much of this book the alarums of the revolution is post-Chekhov. Its principals These agreeably matter-of-fact are among the last of a line girls saw the apparently immut-which continued for nearly one able background of Imperial

hundred years. As his secondary Russia shattered before them ritle explains, Mr Pitcher is chronicling "English govern-esses before, during, and after the October revolution". They were figures familiar in upperclass Russian society.

Charlotte, the Ranevsky governess of The Cherry Orchard, from the social history of two was ostensibly German: she countries. Though it might seem was ostensibly German: she that the girls had simply to speak their own language cor-rectly, they needed to be calm, observant, reliable, and far from eccentric: indeed, to re-semble Miss Emmie Emma Dashwood (now 87) from Nor-wich Her first poet in 1911 could have been English. Her prototype, "a small thin creature with two long girl's pigtails and wearing a man's suit", was an agile English eccentric whose nonsense-talk Chekhov shared: she was a wich. Her first post in 1911 was near St Petersburg (I won-der whether she saw there Charles Sydney Gibbes, who would become tutor to the Tsarevich?), and she went on to Moscow. Here, in the course of not too arduous duty, she met a German doctor claimed to speak English.
"How do you do?" he said to her. "I love you. Beefsteak."

Ingeniously, Mr Pitcher has managed to cross-cut personal stories with a historical record. He evokes Miss Emoie's domes-tic routine in country and town; and we meet the versa-tile "Scottle," who "got tired of my easy seat" as a gover-ness, and Helen Clarke, for whom nothing at all was easy in

the actress Germanova, Emmis lived, during the six days. October fighting in the vestibule of their flat where they black rusks. Far more dan-gerously, Helen Clarke had an agonising train journey from Bakmout to/Kharkov in a com-pariment, meant for thirty persons at the/most, that held over

A book as surprising as unpretentious, it is a report from the margin of history. Oddly, I relish most two casual sen-tences (Emmie is in the Crimea during the winter of 1918-19): "This is not the kind of weather we expect here." said a sad-faced Russian lady of distinguished appearance when she and Emmis passed one another out walking on the beach. She addressed Emmis in English, correctly assuming that no one else but an English appearance mould be an

The Miss Emmies, imperturbable souls, did far more than this. I keep asking myself now how Charlotte Bronte might have behaved in the circum-

J. C. Trewin

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The price of When Men and

## Fiction

The Great Pursuit by Tom Sharpe (Secker & Warburg, £3.90) The Madonna of the

Astrolabe By J. I. M. Stewart (Gollancz, £4.75)

By P. H. Newby

Kith

(Faber, £3.95)
A megalomaniac and illiterate American publisher stands truss-naked at the helm of his yacht in a storm, with a female literary agent of blissfully pneumatic obesity beside him. From the shore his wife, whose face and other corporal whose face and other corporal accessories have been lifted so often that if she laughed too heartily she would collapse like knickers around her ankles, dispatches an explosive cabin cruiser at him as a fireboat. The only author who can mount and carry off a scene like that with style is Tom Sharpe. His latest farce concerns the world of books; a ferrile field for his rude satire and scurtilous saryriasis, rich with vain authors, venal litercerns the world of books; a the pen of Michael innes. The fertile field for his rude satire narrator is supposed to be a and scurrilous satyriasis, rich successful playwright, but he with vain authors, venal literally and thinks just like the rest agents, greedy publishers, rest of his senior common rendered from the starts to take a gloomy religion of literature, mild interest in a young and idiot reviewers spewing woman, it seems natural for out the presumptious pap of him to say to himself: "It was progressive opinion. He devastates them all with this tale of little advance in reciprocal gloomy religion or interacure, and idiot reviewers spewing out the presumptuous pap of progressive opinion. He devastates them all with this tale of a best-seller, a Lolita in reverse of indescribable pruriency about a 17-year-old stud and an octogenarian woman, which does for graophilia (a coinage for this review meaning just for old women) what Attila the Hun

did for race relations.

Tom Sharpe is the funniest novelist writing today. One of the advantages of being alive in the 1970s is that always around the corner of the year there is the prospect of a new and extravagant firework display from Sharpe. As usual his
characters are without exception dislikable grotesques, the
last people in the world one
last people in the world one
would wish to sit next to at
dinner, or share a bedroom or
sex, war, and teleological una cabin cruiser with As usual, ease, after having it off in every. The

thickens and becomes unduly diffuse after what might apply be described as the climax of the instant success of the best-seller. But then lunatic complication and diffuseness of plot never hampered Wodehouse either.

The penultimate in what one of J. I. M. Stewart's dodder of

dons would characterize as his pentalogy of Oxford novels continues the pleasant story of a college marvellously like Christ Church. The sequence is an engaging celebration of the Oxford manner and Oxford mannerisms, rich with urbane conversation and streams of

Oxford consciousness running as leisurely as the Cherwell.

The action includes the appearance of ominous cracks in the fabric of the great tower like Tom, and the discovery in an attic of the tower of a hitherto unknown masterpiece by Piero della Francesca. The promiscuous ex-wife of the narrator reappears to arouse havoc among the undergraduates, and the painting of the eponymous Madonna disappears from the senior common room in circumstances mysterious enough to tickle the pen of Michael Innes. The narrator is supposed to be a little advance in reciprocal communicativeness from time to time." The dons, eremitical, subtle, temerarious, pedantic, or plain odd, have minds with a propensity to slip into literary grooves. They emerge as more endearing people, and Oxford emerges as a more agreeable and interesting place, than their counterparts from the typewriter of Lord Snow. But that is an instance

of art imitating nature. P. H. Newby is off again on safari in his happiest and most

after having it off in every

direction to construct a Tower

of Babel of plot, with crazy

on everybody's head, they get

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appropriate circles of Hellza-poppin. If duty demands that Copt whom his black sheep one should carp as well as fall uncle has married; a little less about laughing, the plot than kin and more than kind. His encounters with this serpent of the Nie mark him for the rest of his life towards an elegiac ending. But I have minor news for the sporting Coptic patriarch and Mr Newby: Mr Mulliner was no golfer, though no doubt he had a nephew who won the Open in shady circumstances; he told his brilliant stories not in the clubbouse beside the principal. the clubhouse beside the nineteenth hole, but in the bar-par-lour of the Angler's Rest.

Sombrero Fallont, by Richard Brautigan (Cape, £3.50). There is a grave embaras de choix in fiction this week, with too many good books competing for too little review space. Brautigan's new "Japanese novel" is a brilliant, funny, and strange whimsy about a heartbroken American humour ist with no sense of humour ist with no sense of humour whose discarded short story about a sombrero takes on a sinister life of its own. It is as clever and delicate as a mas-terpiece of origami. . .

A Shadow of Gulis by Patricia Finney (Collins, £4.25). This lively and accomplished first novel, written by a girl of 17 who goes up to Wadhism next year, historicizes the mytho-logy of old Ireland in the man-ner of Robert Grange The ner of Robert Graves. The Great Gaels of Ireland, with their merry wars, sad songs, barbaric legends, and per-verted love of blood and bat-tles make rattling good fiction. They seem depressingly appro-priate heroes for their putative modern descendants, who are less heroic but almost as

Son City, by Tove Jansson, translated by Thomas Teal (Hutchinson, £3.50). When good Americans eventually grow old, they are packed away to sit in rocking-chairs in rows on verandahs in the sun cities of Plorida to wait for their final departure. Tove Jansson, the Finnish woman writer who is best known for her children's stories, is honest, moving, and even funny about those unmentionable topics for our anxious genera-tion of old age and death.

Philip Howard

Tim Sharpe's earlier novels. Riotous Assembly Indecent Exposure and Porterhouse Blue ued by Secker

## Blakey boot boy

A. S. Byatt | Song of the Battery Hen Selected Poems 1959-1975 By Edwin Brock (Secker & Warburg, £3.50) Here. Now. Always. Fragments of Childhood—Autobiography in Prose and

By Edwin Brock (Secker & Warburg, £3.90) Dickens's Mr Grimwig claimed

that there were only two sorts of boys—mealy boys, and beeffaced boys. He was wrong. There is a third boy—the poetical sort that is growing up with all his memories intact. the sort that in middle life will the sort that in middle life will commit the virgin years to paper. We may call this boy the about-face boy, because he looks back, not always in anger, to the meal or the beef that he was. Judging from the prodigious detail of his memory, it is plain that the about-face boy starts making autobiographical notes on the back of his with a stick of lichis bib with a stick of lic-

The about-face boy can be I have heard Brock reading mealy or beefy. In recent this aloud, and can report that times English poetry has had it is effective. Someone who one goody-mealy, James Kir- has not had that experience

kup—and two sirloins, Laurie might wonder how, since Lee and Dylan Thomas, I am airhough the pathos and the not certain which category passion of the statement are Edwin Brock belongs in. To be apparent it is not so obvious sure, he tells us prominently in both these books that he once wore blakey-boots. On the other hand he does not ever seem to have qualified as one of those really rough boys who were not allowed to play with Stephen Spender.

Brock is a poet (the aboutface boy wears his poetry like a badge) and, on the whole, his autobiographical volume Here. Now. Always has the merits of the verses assembled in Song of the Battery Hen. At hest, as in the title poem, his work is distinguished by an unusual combination of plain-ness and intensity. Here he is identifying himself with the battery hen:

But even without directions, you'd discover me. I have the same orange-red comb, yellow heak and auburn feathers, but as the door opens hear above the electric fan a kind one-word wall, I am the one

who sounds loudest in my head.

why we should consider it to be in any significant sense poetry. Brock's verse forms seem based upon the counting of syllables, where there is any realizable vertebra at all. Too often there is not, and we are evidently required to give assent that this is "poetry" merely because it carries itself

self-deprecating truthfulness. The autobiography perks up, interestingly, when Brock allows his memories to run on a bit later than his childhood days, as when he tells of his time in the Royal Naval Bar-

racks in Hongkong, waiting for his demob, stirred by a reading of The Penguin Book of Modern Verse to his first ambitions as a poet. Or when he tells the story of the interhe tells the story of that interview in the Daily Express-PC 258 Confesses I'm A Poetwhich established him briefly in the public gaze as the Policeman Poet. He has out lived that irrelevance, as he has survived the irrelevance of employment as an advertising copywriter.

Robert Nye .

## Barry's masterpiece

Mid-Victorian Masterpiece

By Barnett Cocks (Hutchinson, £6.95) The story of an institution

unable to put its own house in order", reads Sir Barnett Cocks's sub-title, and immediately underneath the words on the jacket spreads Picken's lovely lithograph, circa 1875, of the Palace of Westminster from Big Ron toward at one and to Big Ben tower at one end to the Victoria tower at the other, seem from the south bank of a Thames lively with assorted craft, sail and oar and steam. What on earth is the former editor of Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice up to ? Surely not an apologia pro vita sua for his days as Clerk of the House of Commons?

Certainly not that. Here, with a devotion to Barry's neo-Gothic masterpiece that most of those for whom it is workof those for whom it is work increasingly turn themselves shop, club, bank, post office and into executives, for whom the much else quickly come to Chamber, the heart of the

share, Sir Barnett tells the story of how the Palace came to be built, the outrageously mean and muddled treatment meted out to Sir Charles Barry, the architect, by members of both Houses through the long years of construction, and the sins committed against Barry into mudern times by Ministers and modern times by Ministers and MPs who filled in his carefully designed courts and then poured millions of pounds of taxpayers' money into the atrocity of an underground car park that has ruined New Palace Yard.

In recent years MPs who in-creasingly describe the Palace as their workshop have been greedy for more and more greedy for more and more space. Unlike their forerunners they have not been content to have no more logistic support. have no more logistic support than rows of small personal lockers in the Ways and Means corridor: they have demanded offices and filled the building to overflowing with staff. They

Commons, is only incidental Barry, and his genius of a decorative designer, Pugin, is they could return from the grave, would be appalled by the evidence of succeeding decades of vandulism.

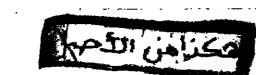
Sir Barnett's is a book to cherish: rich in research, authoritative at every point; and written from the first line to last with a delicate irony that to last with a dencare front that
the central, legalistic tone of
earlier editions of Erskine May
permitted no hint of.

Sir Barnett, a Devonian,
comes of a family that built
some of the sturdiest steel
ships in Victorian times. He

blows from Devon muscle. As his forebears built ships, so he has built his monument to the great and sorely harassed Barry. His book is unsinkable, and he has ensured that Barry's reputation, too, sails on.

David Wood

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by instinct and temperament belong north of the river, and not all the sylven beauties of Dulwich or the suburban delights of Bromley can compensate them for that dreadful sinking feeling as the train pulls out over the bridges south of Blackfrians and Victoria.

for 18 montus, and from a that South London property position of some strength—comes in a multitude of they lived in one of those shapes and sizes, and alenchantingly pretty early though the dubious distinction of commanding £1molusions of commanding £ tages, of the kind the south London impressionists used to paint, in a quiet road could get to town in approximately 15 minutes. approximately 15 minutes, judices about the area—
Eventually they gave in and houses come cheaper than abandoned their two hig retheir counterparts elsewhere ception rooms, three beding London. Sometimes the rooms, a light and airy kitchen, a green and pretty garden, for a three-roomed basement flet with a cupbard for a kitchen on the north side of the river. Now granted that Pinlico has going at less than £20,000, amenities to offer which reckham could not match, tage with five or six hadamenities to otter which and houses of the same vinPeckham could not match, tage with five or six bedtiere has to be some prejudice in the fact that they contains and rwo or three rejudice in the fact that they coption rooms and rwo or three renot merely made the exchange but made it with a f25,000.

A refrection on the area?

No, not at all: It's solid and
respectably suburban, with again for their new home.

a postal district called London, SE24. There isn't any gardens, clean-sir, quiet more, of course. It's now roads—can make someone middle class young mendies) called something consider—settle happily in an area ably more mundane. London, where they just do not want SE24 sounded as though it to live. And there are was two thirds of the way plenty of people who do not to Brighton. It was in fact want to live in south London a mile east of Brixton: I because they bold—whether lived there for five years and it for the lack of tubes, or I liked the area very much indeed.

That, however, is no guide to anyone else. Of London at Notting Hill, too, sometimes balk at going dwellers there are some who by instinct and temperament belong north of the river, and not all the sylven beauties of Dulwich or the lack of a great deal cheaper than beauties of Dulwich or the not really living in London at all. For those who do not share that conviction-

who share it and hold that this is a major part of south London's charm—the rational

arguments in the erea's favour of course provide the

have friends who resisted at are by no means for 18 months, and from a tial. South London property must be left to houses on the other side of the river, there is plenty on the mar-ket in the £10,000 to £60,000 round the corner from a rail- ker in the £10,000 to £60,000 way station, from which they range. And in almost every case—reflecting the pre-judices about the area—

respectably suburban, with shops (including one of the Prejudice cames, however, shops (including one of the be left out of the equation best shoe-repairers in Lon-when it comes to buying a don) which have been in the

transport costs, the fares are a great deal cheaper than

they would be for a similar distance on the tube.

The whole of the south London area is served by what is under normal circumstances a very efficient suburban rail network; but It is a prejudice that there icing on the cake.

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The rational arguments port is one of the difficulties port is one of the difficulties of the area is not entirely without insuffication, for without justification, for when the railways break down the consequence can

be held But if the area's dependence on its rail network means that the people who hve there will occasionally be subjected to such borrors it seems to me that its advantages more than advantages more than adequately compensate. With the exception of some high density inner areas, further marred by council building of remarkable insensitivity. it is a greener part of London than anywhere north of the river but south of Barnet or east of Hammersmith. There is a lot of very solid turn of the century housing (as well as some lovely earlier squares and terraces, for nstance at the back of that modern monstrosity, the Elephant and Castle shopping centre). And prices are cheap although I am told they won't stay quite so cheap much longer, particu-larly in the inner suburbs.

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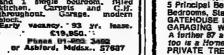
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## China's leaders hope Mao can still help them to clear up the mess

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lo visit China again for the first time ince the Peking riots a year ago is an experience like being in a time machine sithout knowing which way the dials work. In some ways the country seems to be shooting forwards, in other ways t is standing still, and in still others there seems to be retrogression.

The mood of the people varies from place to place. In Peking they seem somewhat dazed, even apathetic, as though all the political and seismic shocks last year had left them in a state of mind where nothing can surprise them any more, as they wander in and out of the mud and brick buts, half below ground level, which thousands have built since the July earthquake.

In Hangchow there is still reluctance to discuss the severe civil strife which shook the area from 1972 until this year, as is now officially confirmed. But the reluctance is on the part of the local people, while officials based in or responsible to Peking are quite forth-coming about the riots and strikes in Hangchow and other parts of Chekiang province.

In Shanghai, where there was no earthquake but where an armed mutiny gainst Peking was only narrowly averted last October, the people are telaxed, grinning and waving at foreigners in a manner not encountered week was that of two lorries with hanners, drums and clashing cymbals going to the home of a veteran dock worker to present him with a framed certificate of merit—bardly a form of material incentive, which is still ifficially shunned in Chinese industry, but a symbol of the great emphasis being laid just now on production as against "class struggle".

The need for a period of stable rolitical life with firm central guidance in order to build up the much troubled eronomy is understood to have come largaret Thatcher had with Chairman Hua Kuo-feng and other Chinese leaders in Peking. The leadership cvidently feels tremendous relief at the success of the coup on October 6 which

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inow what to make of the way Germans see themselves. One

could have come away from the

recent Anglo-German conference at Königswinter with the

impression that the country is

tottering on the brink of crisis, its institutions failing,

its parliament by-passed, its people alienated, and its energy

supplies threatened by cata-strophic crisis in the next

decade. Yet for the moment

inflation remains around 4 per

cent, the currency is in fine shape, the balance of payments

is healthy, living standards are

high, the streets clean and safe, and strikes rare.

what they say should be taken with a pinch of salt. Neverthe-less, it is true that the country

is somewhat more troubled than it may seem to those whose troubles are greater. Nothing is going right for the

covernment at the moment. It

The Germans are worriers, of course, so a



Chairman Hua with Mrs Thatcher: the talk was of stability.

resulted in the arrest of Chiang Ching, Chairman Mao's widow, and her "radical" associates in the so-called Gang of Four.

According to what party and security officials are now prepared to say in Shanghai, it was touch and go for a good week after the Peking arrests as to whether the million strong city militia would be persuaded to take to the streets and denounce Chairman Hua's group as counter revolutionaries. Since they were relatively poorly armed and had little ammunition, such a mutiny would have been crushed as long as the regular ermed forces obeyed Peking, but it would have been a messy

Now the Shanghai people sceme angrier than anyone at Madame Mao and her friends for having brought disrepute on their city. At a commune in nearby Kiangsu province we saw wall cartoons in which Chiang Ching was shown as saying: "Tell Shanghai to

problems are far from over. The most controversial single issue remains the Teng Hsiao-ping, the former deputy prime minister, vice-chairman of the

pensions, when the government

seemed to be breaking an elec-tion promise, problems have come thick and fast. A series of

revelations about unauthorized bugging has undermined faith

in the probity of the state, even if a fair number of people feel

that security may sometimes be more important than strict

legality. Bitter rows with the new American administration over allegedly unfair testing of a new German tank and some-

what bullying attempts to stop Germany selling a nuclear re-processing plant to Brazil have

shaken confidence in the special relationship with Washington. At home the Young Socialists

have elected a far-left leader

from joining forces with a com-

munist demonstration. Then there are the usual worries about East-West relations, the

Soviet build-up and the faltering advance of the European Community.

Much of this amounts to no

who has had to be hauled back

not fail to be controversial, and some highly qualified foreign observers in Peking, as in Hongkong, believe that influential sectors of the leadership are presenting growing opposition to anything more than a titular or advisory The split is seen roughly as being

But an issue of this magnitude can-

on north-south lines, with some senior civilian and military leaders in Peking, and possibly Manchuria, harbouring misgivings about Mr Teng's return and perhaps even delaying it by filibuster factics, while the emerging military and civilian power block in southern China is becoming impatient with the delays, and supports Mr Teng strongly.

It should be emphasized that Chinese officials would dismiss all such speculation as unfounded. But past experience has shown that these disclaimers are simply in the Chinese tradition of presenting a united front to outsiders and regarding their domestic politics as their own affair and no one else's, except in certain cases such as the Ganz of Four episode where they wish to set the record as they see it straight.
At all events the Ching Ming festival

passed off quietly without demonstra-tions or disturbances. Some observers drought scare in northern China, where the young people were marched our to the countryside in droves just before the anniversary, on the ground that they were needed to water the fields. The next political milestone is to be the publication of the fifth volume of the late Mao Tse-tung's selected works, edited by Chairman Hua.

Official press reports say printing works, transport authorities and bookshops are getting ready for the rush when the book starts coming off the presses. This is understandable since the very selection will be a clear indi-cator of the policies which the leader-ship is planning for the next decade or so and for which it will find justification in previously unpublished speeches and articles by the late Chairman. Certainly the publishing scene needs a shot in the arm. I found Peking's main bookstore half deserted whereas in past years there have always been jostling crowds round the counter selling new

## Elections; let us keep our representation in proportion

It may very well be appropriate for some kind of proportional system to be adopted for the Eritish members of the Euro-pean Parliament, when this country begins to elect, by some direct means, its \$1 members of that body. Because of the size of the European constituencies, and the smallness of the number of British members of the Parliament in Luxembourg or Strasbourg, compared to the Westminster Parliament, a propor tional system may well seem the only way of avoiding serious inequity between the MPs of minority parties in the European Parliament compared to its vote. The consequences of a swing of votes in an election could well be unacceptably serious for the chief minority

party, as well as for smaller third parties. We shall, however, make a serious mistake if we go on from this to allow ourselves to be persuaded that what is appropriate for Europe is appropriate for Westminster. Undoubtedly this European problem will be the model on which the domestic electoral reformers at home will seek to build, but we should be very wary of being influenced by the appearance rather than the reality of logic.

The European Parliament and the Westminster Parliament are, and will remain, fundamentally different in two ways. First, even when the European Parliament is fully elected, it cannot in any for-seeable future have political power comparable to the power of Westminster. The federalists and confederalists may not like this, but the fact remains that there are no prospective signs of a change in the fundamen-tal French insistence and, even, perhaps in the general British instinct that the decisive voice in the Community's affairs should be the Council of Ministers, each member of which represents his own country and the majority in his own Purlia-ment, first and foremost.

The second, and much more important distinction between the Parliaments of Europe and Britain, is the fact that a proportional system for Europe will rob the elector of nothing since, whether his 81 MPs are nominated, elected by a first-past-the-post system, or sent in by some kind of list arrangement, those MPs will only be a fragment of the European patchwork quilt of power.

Whatever the European sys tem, it is simply not possible for the British elector, when putting his cross against one of the European candidates or parties, to say: "If my party gets a majority, then I shall virtually have elected the government and shall know more or less the sort of government I shall be getting since the parties' objectives have been revealed to me by the experience of years, by my acquaint-ence with its leading personali-ties, by its manifesto and what has been dragged out of it during the election campaign."

tween like-minded parties across the internal frontiers of the EEC, between socialists, conservatives, liberals and other groups from the various member nations, this will remain true. Nor, if we face the facts, does the cooperation between groups amount to much in the present state of the Community present state of the Community
—particularly bearing in mind
the difficulty of determining
who precisely should go with
whom in some cases. Is it, for
instance, the Gaullistes or the
Giscardians who ought to be the natural allies of the British Conservatives?

The problem of presenting a common front and common programme of like-minded European parties so as to be able to say to the electors: if you vote socialist in Europe, or conservative in Europe, you will be doing the same sort of thing Richard Davy as a voter opting for an equiva-lent party in (say) Belgium or our great electoral power of

## Ronald Butt

Italy, is enormous. But even so this is not the factor of chief importance when it comes to comparing the European Parlia-ment with that of Westimpster in terms of electoral systems. The fundamental distinction

is that the voter for the Vest-minster Parliament knows that, if he is successful, he is electing a government. He is being asked (with due respect to the Liberals) two basic questions: do you want this government or do you want that one? An wer "yes" or "no". This is a quite impossible question for the Briton (or anyone else) as European voter to be asked or to answer. And it would become an impossible question in an election for Westminster if the electoral system/ were changed.

Now, of course, the electoral reformers would say that it is not a proper question to put for Westminster either. They would say that politics cannot be-so clear cut as to make that kind of choice effectively avail-. able to electors for Westminster and, indeed, that the kind of politics that ignores the third force (the Liberals) and the fourth force (the Nationalists) (and perhaps we should add the fifth and sixth forces of the extremist right and left) are untair if not unreal politics.

Yet, in the end, in most of the important things of life, questions have to be resolved down to "yes" or "no" to produce anything like clear action. Are you going to get married to a particular person, buy a particular bouse change this job for that—all these are questions that have to be answered clearly. And on the whole, it is a source of power for the individual citizen, not a lack of it, if politics can at least give him the chance to say: "The question for me is nationalization or no more nationalization (or some other such issue) and I vote for this or that purty accordingly."

> We should not throw away our electoral power for the sake of a false logic

When that happens it creates problems, as it has done in this arliament. It may be healthy in some circumstances that the electors should be able to vote "not proven" to the main op-tions in front of them, and the results of the 1974 elections showed that, under our present system, when feelings in this perfectly possible for the electors to give such a verdict. But they should not be encour-Bur they should not be encour-aged to duck the questions "yes" or "no" in favour of saying: "Don't know: we leave it to the centre party to do a deal." For that gives far too much power to the minority parties that hold the balance of

If we were to adopt a system based on the separation of the executive and legislative powers, electing our President or Prime Minister independently of Parhament, then there might be something to be said for a proportionately elected Parlia-ment without decisive majoricies because it could not unseat him, and because the electorate would have had a clear choice anyway. But nobody is suggesting that solution. We should

Do you think we can keep

decision for he sike of a false logic with Strasboure. Nor should we lightly embrace a society in which we perman-ently live with the kind of deal now done between Mr Calleghan and Mr Steel, in which the voters who votel Liberal could have had no ites of the con-sequence of doing so, and which has given a trally dispropor-tionate power to a small band of Liberal M/s to say which major party spuld govern the country. The elector of 1974 could not possily here known that, at hear Mr Steel, who was not thei leader, is (as think he is) a politician who was hardly likely to lead the

of curse the present system speak statistically unfair to hird parties, and present the present system speak statistically unfair to hird parties, and present speak statistically unfair to hird parties, and presents and presents of the present statistically unfair to hird parties, and presents of the ticularly perhaps to he Liberal. Ye it is also more him than t seems because are many of the people who you Liberth are not taking a deliberate flecision for Liberal polices; they are making a geogree of temporary discorrem parties.

Liberals in alliance with the Tories in any circumstance

because hi rea remperamenul affinity is rith the social dem-

I is often said that the traible with the present electoral system is that it leads to too much instability. Is an electoral reform leaflet recently put through my door put it: Every me the government thanges, o do the policies, and everybod is forced to thinge with then. Previous plats are not just modified, but free reversed And this kind of secsaw politics neither reflect the true wines of the majorit nor gives is the stability the natural evolution, that takes for good government."

But why should nor plices be hanged, hook-lucand-sinker if they fail and if the electricate wishes? How it this Utopan world of the extoral referring is the electoric set totally reversed someting he doesn? like? Why should everything be at the rercy of the should develop the should continue to the set of the should develop the should be should b theisp-called centre of political opinion (which is oten extremely unrepresenting to of popular opinion), who se politicians will do deaks (with each other to monopolise power runing politics into a grey nogi area for people who want in do something issically different, and reducing everything to the stereotyped wishes of the to the stereoryped wishes of the small " [ "/ liberal ? ]

When should post-election in the may in

Now, of course, even unwent the Tory right have some say our present system the electron in the direction of things by may not manage to get the clear joining with moderates of the parliamentary verdice he would be approximated to the course. same general disposition (as is now the case) to influence policies instead o being driven into a permanent limbo leaving all effective powr to those wo would create a world in the

image of Mr Dvid Steel?
We really oght to be very careful to see hat we are not tricked into sing something valuable that we have (and which incidetally many Ge the electors reformers may cover their system) simply because a dispont system may be applicable to the European Parliament which has no comparable poer to lose and i suspect, n comparable power that it ca ever gain under whatever stem. hatever stem. Such European Diet may,

perhaps, ave a certain reality if Charle agne's Empire comes again, sch it may. But the trouble twith Charlemagne's Empire vas, of course, that it y broke up. I success that En if the most gorgeous MOCCO'S ( now be created, the demonstration of the demonstrat from ther sorts of power) will the control of control o have to be exercised through the control to the stilla rather effective version of tis in Britain. Don't let us a harden have done of the control to the con of its in Britain. Don't let us be seduced into ruining it by the result of the comparisons.

## "If I wasn't in constant pain I would know there was something wrong"

holds in Hesse topple like more than a fairly normal more pine in local elections and Herr Helmuth Schmidt, who was last year's general election are three other problems which

We didn't hear a word of self-pity from this cheerful old lady. Her plucky endurance has to cope with a landing toilet shared with four others, and a drab

Other old people battle with the pain of constant loneliness, of being housebound by frailty, and those in the poor countries with hunger . . . all the time.

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Is the Bonn bubble about to burst? if it were of the normal cyclical the oil then expected to be munists and others have tried line which asks "Who will save Chancellor Schmidt?" variety. Industry is still working to only about 80 per cent capacity, unemployment re-mains stubbornly over the million mark, investment is not Since a bad muddle over

picking up, and even where there is investment it is of the kind that reduces rather than increases the number of jobs In fact well over a million jobs have vanished since 1970,

and although departing foreign workers provide some cushion the country is now contem-plating for the first time since the Second World War the prospect of an uncomfortable level of unemployment more or less permanently. The second problem is that

West Germany's energy needs in the 1980s, thereby raising the spectre of severe limits on growth and even higher unem-ployment. According to OECD estimates a growth rate of 4.2 per cent a year is required to reduce unemployment. A rate of 3.5 per cent would merely prevent it getting worse. But

as a dynamic and decisive man-order, is now depicted on the that the recession is not cover of a news magazine recading in the way it should European oil demand in the 1990s, since even if energy demand could be held down to 3 per cent in 1985-2000 western Europe would, by the year 2000, need to import an entirely incredible 72 per cent of all

A rule which journalists learn with experience is that any press release which begins with

ical history lesson, with Sir Huw Wheldon acting the role

of teacher, and doing it in the best possible taste.

He is helped out by some of the royals themselves, led by the Queen. She opens the

initial programme with a crisp commentary on the crown jewels, which she just happens to have about her person, since

the segment was filmed on the

day she opened Parliament.
Her presentation was deadpan,
except when she mentioned
Cromwell, of whom she clearly

and understandably dis-

We also saw Prince Charles

talking learnedly about the drawings of George III. (I have discovered that the reason the

Prince speaks so indistinctly is that, in East Anglian fashion, he talks without moving his top lip. Watch programme five and you will see what I mean.)

available (its share of interna-tional oil trade is now about 42 per cent). Even that assumes bringing into operation 20,000 megawatts of nuclear reactor capacity every year from 1985. These figures are, of course,

party and effective head of government until Chiang Ching had him thrown out

There was widespread speculation

both in Peking and in Hongkong that Mr Teng would be brought back to a

senior position before the anniversary of the April 5 riots. Last week people

editorial office of the People's Daily in Peking, minutely examining that morn-

resting, initiately examining that indicates in its glass-fronted display cases, and most probably looking for some indication of Mr Teng's return. Foreign Ministry officials assured us that he would return fairly soon, though the control of the control of the case of t

one said it might not be until the autumn. Yet only a week before it was

reported from London that a Chinese diplomat there had said Mr Teng would

be back in time to greet Mrs Thatcher.

Every reliable report suggests that the people want Mr Teng back to help to run the country, even if they do not bear him the personal affection which they have for the late Prime Minister Chou En-lai. It is simply felt that Mr Teng is the strongers and more effection.

Teng is the strongest and most effective political figure available to belp Chairman Hua and the rest of the leadership to sort out the mess left by years of extreme left-wing policymaking.

Clearly the issue is a difficult one.

of office a year ago.

contested, not least by the civic action groups in Germany who constitute the third reason for unease. It is estimated that there are now something like 50,000 of these groups protesting not only against nuclear power stations but also against the destruction of old buildings, the erection of new buildings, new roads, or, more sadly, play-grounds and homes for handi-capped children. The most spectacular success achieved so protesters have virtually halted far has been the Freiburg court gramme which was to have met nuclear power station, but many smaller unsung victories have been won around the country.

The extent of this activity is something new in the history of West Germany and its signi-ficance is still being debated. It certainly marks a break with the tradition of deference to authority, and in some cases it reveals more than that—the growth in energy supply of 3.2 per cent, which is unlikely to be available.

The Königswinter conference was told by Mr Ian Smart, of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, that there was the Royal Institute of Interna-tional Affairs, that there was no way of satisfying even con-servative projections of West European oil demand in the 1990s since even if every power programme should justify their case.

The politicians are in a dilemma. They cannot easily dismiss these groups as mere trouble-makers, although com-

to exploit them. Equally they of the Christian Democratic Opposition, has said that they represent the legitimate expres sion of the right of free speech and assembly and that they point to changes in the deeper levels of human and social

orientation of many people. It is an important task for politiclans and parties to take this seriously Herr Willy Brandt, chairman

the Social Democrats, has said that a lively democracy amounts to more than the process of parliamentary decision-making. However, many poli-ticians worry that the rise of the protest groups is at least in part a result of allowing too much decision-making to slide into the hands of the bureau-eracy and big organized pres-Many of the protesters against

nuclear power are quite frank that their aim is not primarily to halt or delay the building of power stations but to provoke creative re-thinking in political and social affairs, to raise pub-lic awareness, and to switch more resources to the conservation of energy and the develop-ment of alternative sources. If they are proved right in the long run they will have made a very significant contribution to West German development. If they are proved wrong they will have to share responsibility for a potentially catastrophic energy shortage in the next de-cade which will make Herr Schmidt's present troubles look laughably small

## The Times Diary

## A royal coffee-table TV show

a disclaimer is to be treated with the gravest suspicion. Thus when I read that "Royal Heritage, BBC TV's major contribution to the Silver Jubilee celebrations, is not merely a story of Kings and Queens from medieval times up to the present", I reached for my scepticism. horse-drawn carriages, and the This, claimed the elephant Quen Mother also has a role. woman, showed that public opin-The programmes are unline was moving against nastiness demanding, and can best be to circus animals. I was right to do so. For to descibed as coffee-table relevision. (In due course they will

judge from the two instalments shown yesterday to the press (and later to the Princes Philip be supplemented by the inevitable money-making coffee-table and Charles and BBC officials), the omission of the word "not" from that sentence sums book, to take its place among the proliferating jubilee souvenirs.) up the series quite adequately. True, the narrative is fleshed out with views of the buildings and works of art which monarchs have commissioned, bought or otherwise acquired. Order of the Garter is being changed by the passage of In essence, though, the programmes constitute a monarch-

The Royal Household gave their full cooperation to the project, since it is in keeping with the official policy of opening the Queen's loot to the

public gaze wherever possible. Still such a series has its pit-falls. Two indignant Scottish reporters rounded on Sir Huw to inquire why no Scottish treasures were seen in the two programmes screened. He promised that the omission would be remedied in the programmes on the Stuarts and Oueen Victoria. The series begins on April 21.

#### Wild about it

The silver jubilee, indeed, seems full of unexpected pitfalls. A the Society Against Elephant Exploitation, of which I had never before heard, telephoned me in triumph to reveal that next month the Queen will see In another programme, I was a circus from which all wild told, Prince Philip talks about animal acts have been excised.

She based her assertion on a letter written to a friend of hers by David Coulson, the publicity manager for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead jubilee celebrations committee. Sir Huw is made to utter such unprofundities as: "The Windsor big top on May 28 the Carter is being the Windsor big top on May 28 would include no wild animal acts "since the performence is being given in the presence of the Queen and she has to take account of public opinion, to say nothing of the RSPCA."

When I spoke to Coulson about it he seemed a mite agitated. "The Queen has to take account of vociferous elements of public opinion whether they are minority or majority". he explained. In any case, it was not strictly speaking a circus that she was going to see. It was a show in which variety acts and circus acts would be mixed. And although there would be no wild animals, they might sneak in a horse or two.

He said the decision to exclude wild animal acts had been taken after consultation with the Royal Household, who had "done more of these things than you've had hot dinners". He thought I would do better to write about the £250,000 that had already been raised in the borough for the jubilee appeal. "That's more about what the spirit of jubilee is about." A spokeswoman at Bucking-

ham Palace, though, denied that members of the Household had taken the initiative on excluding animal acts. So far as the Palace was concerned, she said, the event was listed as a variety

show tout simple.

The Queen had been to circuses, she maintained, and would do so again. But when I asked her to give me some instances, she was unable to do so after a fairly long check. Being Queen may not be as easy as it looks.

#### Carpeted

Passengers on London Transport's 25 silver jubilee buses will be relieved to know that the red, black and silver-grey carpeting throughout is of pure new wool and fire resistant. So smoking is allowed on the top decks and you are requested to drop cigarette ends straight down below the seats, not grind them out on the carpet which runs along the centre aisle.

While it is necessary to take to the gearbox in case of trouble, London Transport scotch a rumour that they have to bring in the makers to do it. The fitters manage it by

Walter Sumner, aged 77, Chel-

### Getting high

sea Pensioner and former mem-ber of the Royal Flying Corps, ber of the Royal Flying Corps, is in danger of becoming the most popular inmate of the Royal Hospital. Yesterday a knot of well-dressed business and advertising men descended on the hospital and forced upon Sumner 12 bottles of a rather good blend of Scotch whisky. It was presented to him by Michael Cochrane, one of the stars of the television series based on the RFC. Wings. Michael Cochrane, one of the Me last flew a few months ago in the co-pilor's sear of a pased on the RFC. Wings.

The case of whisky should the Shurtleworth Collection in based on the RFC, Wings.



have been the prize in an obscure competition which may rank as the most bring maga-zine contest of he decade. Readers of a monthly aviation journal were insited by a freighting company, whose livery is a blue theck like a policeman's hatbod, to think of the best way to relate the word "check" to airfreight movement.

Not surprisingly, none of the entries came up to scratch, so the firm decided to douate the prize to a good cause. Summer, one of two survivors of the original RFC at Chelsea, seemed a very good cause indeed, retaining as he does a taste for both flying and whisky.

Bifordshire, and enjoyed it imensely. He thought the lings series was an accurate affection of the times, and oped they would repest it oen. Now then, is there are benevolent company that would hike to hear about my National service?

#### Seascapes

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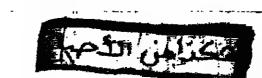
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Increasing pressure

on London airports

Sir, Your correspondents (April 12)

highlight two facets of the problem facing the Government in its task

of formulating an airport strategy for the United Kingdom.

June Robinson and her co-signa-tories speak for the environmental interests while Mr Balley and Mr

Goldrein express the passengers point of view. While these two views are not always compatible they highlight the need to provide a solution which takes account of the

nation's interest and of those who

The British Airports Authority has participated in this debate ever since its formation in the mid-sixties

and, like other large industries in this country when faced with

planning major developments, has learny that the interests of one cannor override those of the other. However, it was disappointing to read that we'were being accused

y Ms Robinson of acting unilater-

ally by consulting only two local authorities over our plans to build a fourth terminal at Heathrow. This

While the Authority followed its

normal procedure of consulting those local authorities with a direct

stake in the airport's development (the GLC, Surrey County Council and the Borough Councils of

Rillingdon, Hounslow and Spel-thorne), we did not ignore the interests of Buckinghamshire and

Berkshire County Councils, both of whom requested and were scat

copies of our consultation document,

and who, in turn, sought responses

ar borough level from Windsor and Maidenhead, Bracknell and Slough.

To imply that all local authorities who might be affected or have an

interest in the future development of Heathrow were also overlooked is inaccurate. In November 1975 the Government published a national consultance document specifically

on the long-term future strategy for the four London airports at Heath-

row, Gatwick, Stansted and Luton which clearly stated that even with

which clearly states that even which the current improvements at Heathrow a fourth terminal would be needed to "provide sufficient capacity for the London airports system up to about 1985..."

This document was given wide circulation and in response to it over

culation and in response to it over

100 submissions were received from

local authorities, amenity groups and other interested organizations.

We have yet to put a final figure on the cost of Heathrow's fourth ter-

minal but out preliminary estimate is about half the £107 million quoted

As the fourth terminal is to be located on the south side of Heathrow it is well suited for direct

access to and from the proposed M25 orbital motorway which is due to open before the new building be-

gins operating. This new motorway will make a major contribution to

relieving present road congestion around Heathrow as well as linking the airport to the national motor-

way network serving London. In particular it will provide a fast road connexion to Gatwick via the M23

and will afford travellers from the North of England like Mr Goldrein

the direct access to that airport which is currently lacking.

opment is nearing completion. We are not suphoric, as Mr Bailey sug-

gests, about passengers having to

use this airport in its unfinished state as he, like many others, is

paying the penalty of inconvenience while rebuilding takes place. How-ever, while this work has continued

the airport has maintained a bag-gage delivery rate from aircraft doors open to the first bag on the reclaim belt of less than 30 minutes

for over 90 per cent of all flights...

The Government is nearing the

the future of London's airports and

of those for the regions. The British Airports Authority is looking

forward to a plan which strikes the fairest balance between the interests of those who fly and the needs of those who live hear the sirports.

by Ms Robinson.

From Mr D. W. Turner

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## UNEASY AND UNSURE TEACHERS

The teaching profession is in a thoroughly rattled state at the moment, to judge from the conference of the National Union of Teachers this week. Mrs Shirley Williams took special care when she addressed the conference yesterday to offer reassurance to some of the fears of her audience, but had little to say about some of the most acute. The teachers have recently suffered three blows, any one of which would have caused ruffled professional feelings. Public spending cuts mean that many newly trained teachers find it difficult to get jobs. The falling birthrate has made it obvious that fewer teachers will be needed in future than had been predicted. Teacher training colleges are having to close and the profession is having to come to terms with the end of a period of rapid growth and keen demand for its services. At the same time public confidence in the effectiveness of the educational system and readiness to leave the matter in the hands the teachers has become notably less marked.

Jobs and prospects are the most urgent of these problems, and the conference naturally heard a good deal of fighting talk about opposing attempts by local education authorities to whittle down the number of teachers they employ. But the less tangible question of confidence aroused even more heat, particularly in the contributions Mr Fred Jarvis, general much about that.

secretary of the union, and Mr Max Morris, a former president. Since public concern about education is not something that anyone can openly deplore, their attack took the form of hard words about encroaching politi-cians and much harder ones about civil servants. There was a note of panic in some of Mr Morris's references to the desiccated bureaucrars of the DES "whose arrogance is only

exceeded by their ignorance". He warned the conference to discount any protestations that Mrs Williams might make about not wishing to dictate details of the curriculum. In the event Mrs Williams's

protestations were highly conditional. She spoke as if the main preoccupations of her audience were unemployment and the fear that education would suffer still more in future rounds of spending cuts. She treated these problems seriously, without shirking the conclusions to be drawn from the falling birthrate and the need to keep public expenditure under control. She spoke firmly but reassuringly of her plans to modify the structure of the Schools Council (which alarms the NUT because it dominates the council in its present form), and said things that she knew would strike a sympathetic chord about the Black Paper and the Panorana film. She expressed a determination to see more inservice training, although since this is in the hands of local authorities she cannot directly do

But she made no attempt to deny that she believed that some guidelines on the curriculum would be helpful, as indeed they would be. The idea of detailed central prescription of what is taught or how is so alien to the British approach to education that it has never been seriously entertained by the Government. But the conference seemed if anything relieved at her forthrightness and her emphasis on the importance of discussing ways of doing it with the profession.

There is no sign of any public demand for regimented teaching. But there is an unmistakable and well-founded sense that the results of the great expansion of education in the 1960s have been disappointing. Whether or not standards have fallen, they have not risen in proportion with the increased national effort. Some part of the blame for this disappointment must almost inevitably be borne by the teaching profession, too many of whose members are widely felt to be confused or complacent about the ultimate purposes of their activities. New and eccentric methods of teaching are only a minor aspect of the problem, which would best be remedied by a livelier sense on the part of the profession itself of what society reasonably expects of it. The teachers' rage at the mandarins is a projection of their own unease at this state of affairs, and a measure of their unreadiness to respond to it.

## A SUCCESS TO BE EXPLOITED

Although public spending remains too high it can no longer be claimed that it is out of con-That conclusion follows from the latest set of government borrowing statistics which show that during the financial year which has just ended, spending on the Supply Services was only £138m over the amount predicted at the time of the 1976 Budget out of a total of nearly £37,000m. By even the most exacting standards that is an impressive performance. Against the record of the past, where there have been enormous increases which cannot be explained in terms of conscious policy changes or general inflation, it is truly remarkable.

In comparing the past year with the dismal performance of earlier periods during this decade it is important to remember some of the advantages which the Treasury has enjoyed. The impact of pay restraint is very marked on public expenditure since the wages element is settlements agreed during 1974 and 1975 built in a large expansionary element to spending in those years, the current round of pay policy has held down civil servants' pay quite successfully.

Just as public spending soars away when pay is rising rapidly, so it is easier to control when

pay pressure is less intense. Restrictions on pay increases do not merely hold down the growth in spending, they make it easier to perform the calculations which are needed to convert the "funny money" of the world

of constant prices of the Public Expenditure Survey Committee into the real sums which form cash limits. During 1976-77 and in the year which is just beginning the cash limit system has not been faced with an unpredictable round of wage negotiations. Most civil servants' pay for the next twelve months will be settled under the terms of Phase 2" of the current incomes policy and the cash value of the Government's wages

Bill is thus fairly easy to

determine. In that sense, the cash limit system has so far had a fairly easy run in which to prove itself. But prove itself it certainly has, and it has shown itself to be a great deal more resilient under pressure than some of those who fought against it for so long would have had us believe. Inflation during the fiscal year 1976 did not fall in line with the Government's hopes. Indeed, late last year there were many who feared that ne increase in prices which the Government would have to meet would lead either to unacceptable panic cuts, with hospitals being closed at random and whole services being scrapped, or that the cash limits would

have to be increased. Under the old system, there is no doubt that the latter would, in effect have happened. There would have been no announcement of a revision of the limits; merely a quiet decision to put forward supplementary esti-mates which would have been justified by the impact of inflation but which would in fact have caused further inflation. For if one thing is certain it is that if suppliers know that a buyer does not count the cost, they will be more willing to raise the price.

Cash limits have, then, already justified their worth in a world of formal pay policy where in-ternal costs of administration are easily predictable. But there is now a need to give them a greater role in future in ensur-ing that as we return to free collective bargaining wage settlements do not become once again the motor force behind a new explosion in public expenditure. In the private sector, the amount an employer is willing to pay is determined in the last analysis by what he can afford in a world where his compentors are seeking to take away business from him. That discipline is missing for the public sector, and with it the relationship between pay restraint and job security which is the most effective advocate of ti-inflation policy only way to restore that link in the public sector is to use the cash limits system. What that means in practice

is that cash limits ought to be imposed not merely in expecta-tion of the likely level of wage settlements, but as a definite statement of what the govern-ment is prepared to accept. Only then will negotiators see clearly that cash limits are not just a mechanical conversion into real money of long term expenditure plans, but a positive tool of control and policy.

## MOROCCO'S OWN PART IN THE SAHARA

"The Government of the Kingdom of Morocco is convinced that peace in Africa is one" (ie, indivisible). This is the doctrine on which Morocco has based her intervention in Zaire, according to the official explanation sent to the Organization of African Unity. It is a novel doctrine, or rather a novel interpretation of one of the doctrines of the OAU itself. Traditionally African states have expressed concern about conflicts in other parts of the continent which did not involve them directly, and have often offered their services as mediators. But this is the first time (if we except the Congo operation of the early sixties, which took place under United Nations auspices) that one of them has seen fit to intervene militarily in another's war.

It can hardly be a coincidence that the state in question, Morocco, is already involved in a local war of its own—the war to make good its claim to the Western Sahara, ceded to it by Spain over a year ago but still vigorously contested by the forces of the Polisario Front in the name of the "Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic". Morocco has consistently blamed Algeria for keeping this war going—and indeed it is true that it could hardly take the form that it does if the Polisario did not have.

Algerian territory to use as a base, Algerian weapons and Algerian diplomatic support. But behind Algeria, Morocco sees the more sinister influence of the Soviet Union, from which Algeria in turn obtains her weapons. Moroccan ministers have claimed to see the war in the Sahara as part of a Soviet grand design to gain gradual control of the entire African coastline. Moroccan newspapers have claimed (though without the slightest proof) that the Polisario forces are trained and officered by "non-African advisers and mercenaries. Cubans in particular ". The parallel with President Mobutu's version of what is happening in Shaba is obvious enough.

The Moroccans have been especially vexed by the failure, of the OAU to come down firmly on their side in the Sahara conflict. Some eight African states, as well as Madagascar and North Korea, have actually recognized the "Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic". A delegation from the Polisario attended the last ministerial meeting of the OAU, at Lome in February, and the Moroccan delegation walked out —in protest both against this and against an official OAU report accusing Morocco and Gabon of being involved in the inysterious "raid on Benin" in January.

(Benin, a small West African state with a radical Marxist regime, is one of the Polisario's most outspoken diplomatic supporters.) The same accusation was repeated in the report of a special mission sent to investigate the raid by the United Nations.

In mid-March a summit meeting of five other Sahara countries. (Libya, Mali, Niger, Chad and Algeria) was conspicuous for the absence of Morocco and its ally Mauritania, and pointedly announced its attachment to the principle of self-determination, which Morocco and Mauritania have flagrantly ignored in the Western Sahara. Morocco bas even been driven to announce a boycott of pan-African sporting activities.

Her intervention in Zaire in the name of pan-African solidarity is thus clearly at least in part an attempt to win back friends and influence, and to consolidate the pro-Western front in Africa against the radicals among whom Libya and Algeria are prominent as well as Angola and Mozambique. The West may or may not be grateful, but to allow Western interests to become identified with Morocco's annexation of the Western Sahara would be not only morally wrong but quite possibly also a strategic error.

#### Rights and wrongs

From Professor A. L. Goodhart
Sir, In your interesting leader
"Human Rights and Wrongs," (April
9) you state that the notion of 9) you state mat the notion of rights inherent in the nature of a human being "was given its widest currency by Locke, though it did not originate with him." It must, however, be pointed out that the inherent rights to which Locke referred, were not those that appeared nearly a century later in the American Declaration of Independence. Locke's statement is found in Chapter IX of his essay Concerning Civil Government in which he said rhat men in the state of Nature have a mind to unite with others for the mutual preservation of

their lives, liberties and estates, which I call by the general name-property. The great and chief end, therefore, of men uniting into commonwealths . . . is the preservation of their property; to which in the state of Nature there are many things wanting."

The provision in the Declaration of Independence, written nearly a century later by Thomas Jefferson, avoids the word property, and substitutes for ir the phrase the pursuit of happiness. This had been used by Thomas Paine, who had come to America in 1774, in his pamphler Common Sense. His opening words, These are the times that try men's souls became a revolutionary battle-cry.

However by the time that the Constitution of the United States was adopted in 1787 the more limited idea of property had replaced the vague idea of happiness by the draftsmen of that practical documents

This may be of contemporary interest as you have pointed out that What we really want to prevent is not injustice as such but suffering". That means that the Law Courts can play only a limited role in solving the wider problems that face us, especially in Africa, today. Yours sincerely, ARTHUR L. GOODHART. University College,

Oxford.

April 11.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## dictatorship

From Lord Hailsham of St Maryle-bone CH, FRS worded letter (April 9), Mr Francis Bennion takes me to task for my use of the expression "elective dictatorship". This he describes as "a piece of political cunt" and a "contradiction in terms"

of political cant " and a " contradiction in terms"
Whatever else may be the case, this it certainly is not. A fine collection of dictators, from Peisistratos to Hitler, have founded their tyrannies on popular election, or, by the use of Parliaments, like Henry VIII, or such devices as referenda, sought to justify tyrannical rule by some pretence of popular mandate.

The forms of democracy may long continue (as they did under the Roman principate) long after the reality has disappeared. I have never suggested that freedom is dead in this country, but only that it is diminishing, and that a principal cause of its impairment is, in truth, the unlimited legislative

truth, the unlimited legislative power confided to Parliament, now largely limited to a single chamber elected on a first past the post system. When this power is con-centrated in the hands of a Government armed with a Parliamentary majority, briefed and served by the professionalism of the Civil Service, and given more than an equal chance of self perpetuation by the adroit use of the power of dissolu-tion, elective dictatorship is neither a contradiction in terms, nor a piece

When such a government as I bave described is dominated by the false political doctrine of mandate and manifesto which animated the present administration prior to the demise of the late lamented Devolution Bill, the tendency is increased. My point in the speech to which Mr Bennion drew attention was that this tendency was illustrated rather than diminished when a government that has lost its majority is perpetuated in office until a mopinious moment for dissolution occurs by an unprincipled bargain with a second party which is also threatened with electoral defeat if dissolution occurred now.

No doubt the expression "elective dictitorship" commins an element of warning of where we are tending rather than an ejaculation of despair at where we have arrived. But to describe it as a piece of political cant or a contradiction in terms is to show an ignorance of political bistory as well as a certain insensitivity to political actuality. Yours, etc.

HAILSHAM, The Corner House, Heathview Gardens April 9.

#### The Church in Cyprus From The Bishop in Cyprus and The-

Sir, Your excellent special feature about Cyprus in today's Times (March 29) prompts me to write about the situation of the Anglican Church on the Island. Since the Turkish intervention in

1974 the Church has endured great financial hardship. Devaluation of the pound sterling has meant a 40 per cent reduction of income from the United Kingdom; property lost in the Turkish sector has further reduced income by more than £1,000 annually; the cost of repairing damage to church property has been heavy, and last year the Church born a deficit of about £3,000. The Diocese itself is new and in great need. There is no house for

the bishop, no proper office accom modation, no secretarial staff, and none of the usual diocesan facilities, none of the usual diocesan facilities, because there is no adequate income, In addition, the Church of St Andrew, Kyrema, in the Turkish sector, has been seriously damaged through subsidence. Great cracks have appeared in the walls of the Sanctuary, and the Church is supported by internal wooden buttresses to ity to prepent colleges. At least to try to prevent collapse. At least £3,500 is needed to save the building, and as the British community in Kyrenia is now greatly reduced it seems unlikely that they will be able to produce sufficient money.

Many of your readers will know
this beautiful Church in its lovely
position overlooking the castle and
harbour in Kyrenia. When the facts
are known, I am sure that those who have any concern about the plight-of the Church in Cyprus will wish to help. Further information may be obtained from the Rishop, or from the Jerusalem and the Middle

East Church Association, 24 The Borough, Farnham. Yours succeely, LEGNARD ASHTON, Bishop in Cyprus and The Gulf The Chaplain's House, 2 Afxention Street, Nicosia 118,

Cyprus, March 29:

#### Mother's occupation? From the Reverend John D. Reckreith

Sir, The recording of the father's occupation in parish registers from the sixteenth commy onwards was to establish more precisely the particular family or branch to shich the individual belonged, especially since; with the their gradual adoption of surrames; graduat acoption or surnames, there were often several people in the local community bearing the came Christian and surnames. In know Mr Nugee's parents are both distinguished in their respec-

noting more employers question than the typical Remain faithe of perthe typical British faible of per-peruating long-standing traditions well after their original purpose and significance has been forgomen. Presumably law Matendy Thurs-day's nonegays were not intended to protect the Sovereign from the steach of the populace and the fool drains as in times past. On the other hand, I recently tried to record a maiden lady on iteath as "Gentleman" (her faither hav-ing died a "Gentleman" in 1932) only to receive a certificate des-

There would be no difficulty in only to receive a certificate des-cribing her as "Unemployed" ! Yours faithfully,

#### Democracy and Curbing football hooliganism: come basis the week before. Entry

From Mr Ion D. Shearer Recreation is to be commended for at last making positive proposals to combat football hooliganism (The Times, April 7) but his attitude to supporters' club branches is misguided.

It is true that many of those arrested at Manchester United matches come from outside the Manchester area but it is not proven that they frequently belong to a branch of the officially recognized supporters club. Other football clubs do not have as many travelling fans as United, nor do they have as many supporters club branches, but these they have are many supporters club branches, but those that they have are among the best behaved and most dedicated of iootball supporters anywhere.

My own club is one of the 19 members of the Association of Provincial Football Supporters' Clubs in London. This organization is responsible for the transport of around 600 club members out of the capital every Saturday. It has excellent relationships with British Rail and the coach operators and imposes a strict code of conduct on the affiliated supporters' clubs. Many of the parties are a mixture of the home team's and visitors' fans travelling together in a spirit of harmony which is commonplace but sadly not as well chronicled as its

Very few potential troublemakers very few potential troublemakers get into the clubs, or even apply, but any that do are dismissed from membership at the first sign. Every affiliated branch club is officially recognized by the football club it supports and yet the minister is to ask the football clubs to discourage such recognition, is he not aware that the real problem is the indivi-dual that these out of town sup-porters' clubs themselves exclude from membership and that by encouraging these clubs, and giving them some sort of monopoly of travel bargains and march tickets, he would achieve a significant reduction in the hooliganism at no cost to the taxpayer?

All future Manchester United away fixtures are to be all-ticket with no standing tickets available for United supporters. This some-what blunt instrument is probably the best solution available for the rest of this season, however it does exclude law-abiding United followers from the game and may foster a tout-operated black market in standing tickets.

An alternative which relies on the hooligan's lack of commitment to the club he follows and on policing that the official supporters club can carry out is possible for next season. Official supporters' club members would be issued with a membership card including a photograph; This card would entitle them to purchase a standing ticket for Old Trafford for around £18 which would also contain vouchers for away games. Where the accommodation at the away ground is sufficient, entry would be by cash on preduction of voucher and card: where it was not sufficient the vouchers would have to be ex-changed at Manchester United's ground for match tickets on a first

to the home supporters section of the ground would be by ticket only, sold prior to the date of the match. The financial commitment would detar most of the troublemakers and any arrested at or around the away ground would have their curds and season tickets amunifed in addition to any prosecu-tion. Production of the appropriate ticket/voucher or the appropriate ticket/voucher and membership card would also be a pre-requisite to the purchase of a coach or rail ticket to the game.
Yours faithfully, IAN D. SHEARER, Secretary,

Aston Villa Supporters' Club, London Branch, 16 The Cloisters, Frimley, Surrey.

#### From Mr. D. E. Thompson

Sir, I was most interested to read Robert Parker's article concerning recent findings in a study currently being made by the Social Science Research Council, the Sports Council, the Home Office and the Decii, the home orice and the Department of the Environment, into football violence and the structure and layour of football grounds (The Times, April 9).

The panel, which commenced their work last July, has now come up with a fact that was well known at least a decode ago: the layout and

deast a decade ago; the layout and structure of football grounds do not lend themselves to the control of football hooliganism. This is a somewhat belated conclusion as for several years there has been plenty of talk about this particular point. There has been plenty of talk con-cerning the idea of having all spectators seated at football grounds and having rival supporters propertly segregated, both ideas being essential to at least a start to remedy the ever increasing problem of football hooliganism and violence.

But what has happened? the Government and the football clubs have been pussyfooting over the problem for far too long until we have now reached the stage when the problem must be positively dealt with in terms of stringent measures. The first and most essential being that the football clubs should be given a certain period of time, say one year, to provide all-seating accommodation at their grounds and accommodation for rival supporters/
clubs to be properly placed
away from the home club accommodation. In addition to the
latter measures, the idea of Cardiff
City Football Club in building some form. of protective-caged walk for entry and exit of visiting supporters to their own enclosure in the ground should also be made compulsory at

all club grounds.

Recent measures by Minister of Sport, Denis Howell, after the dis-gusting behaviour of Manchester United's rampaging Red Army at Norwich, goes some way to remedy the problem. It is hoped that, after the study into football hooliganism has been completed in June ship has been completed in June this year, something positive is done to put some of the recommendations ioto practice. Yours feithfully.

D. E. THOMPSON, 41 Homer Street, W1.

#### Spain and Gibraltar

m Mr K. J. Penza Sir, From your Special Report (March 31, 1977) on "Spein and the Community" it would appear that on balance Spain would be welcomed, even by the Gibraltarians, into the EEC if the can finally stand

are already citizens of the European Community by virtue of Article 2274 of the Treaty of Rome under which Gibraltar is part of the

Community.

Onite logically, Harry Debilius ends his sericle, "Fighring the flab for EEC." in the same Special Report, pointing out that "The open-border policy of the Community would presumably have to apply to Gibraltar as well ending the Spanish border blockade of the Rock." and scressing that "Britain would like to be assured of this before casting in your."

before casting its vote."

It is bignificant that public demand for the bitting of the blockade is rapidly gathering.

turn in the Spanish side of the frontier now that the many

Gibratarians was started by the Franco Regime, and not by the people of Spain who have generally maintained a friendly relationship with us the Gibratarians, it will be ware much in the bands of the very much in the hands of the future elected Government of Spain to adopt a humane and progressive attitude towards British Gibraltar in conformity with the democratically expressed wishes of the Gibraltarians and the harmonizing process of the European Community, with all its safeguards, to which the Gibraltar Government subscribes.

European unity the destination and democracy the road that member states of the EEC follow and obviously this same road Spain will have to take if she wishes to integrate herself in the Community of which British Gloraltar forms an integral part akready. Yours faithfully,

country to and from their stores and air bases. They are not observably radioactive but they really could be made to explode without needing first a great deal of chemical and engineering work.

Yours. etc.

JOHN FREMLIN

Department of Physics. University of Birmingham, Birmingham.

'Jesus of Nazareth'

From the Rev Richard Lewis.

Sir, Will no one speak a word in support of Alan Coren's excellent review of the film Jesus of Nazareth? Mrs Choyce (letter, April 7) says that friends "had found their children watched it to the end without faltering". I can work for the sea of the sea

vouch for that—so did mine (aged eight and 11). Because children are absorbed by it, does that make it good? I see a warning which other

correspondents have done little to

so small wonder that when the critic challenges the gospel of Sir Lew nothing less than his head on a platter will suffice!

Before we are further deluded

just what was put in Robert. Powell's eyes to make them glisten

Parish of Holy Trinity and St Peter,

234 The Broadway, SW19.

Yours faithfully,

R. LEWIS.

#### Plutonium security

From Professor J. H. Fremlin Sir. Paul Siegbart, of the Inter-national Commission of Jurists (March 31), draws a rather dark picture of the effects of a large scale nuclear power programme. We have for some generations had a quite significant scale of production of military and naval weapons that it would similarly be undesirable to give to terrorists, and the necessary military control and convoys do not seem to have had much effect on the control was the control of the con

our liberties.

In spite of this, Mr Sieghart's concern is a serious one. He is, however, wrong when he suggests that there can be no technological solution. There is, and it has in fact been published several times. If the extraction of the plutonium from the initially fiercely radioactive material is fabricated into new feel extraction on the extraction site. fuel elements on the extraction site, these can then be placed for a day or two in a reactor—also on the same site. Although pure nlutonium is indeed safe to handle, after a day is indeed safe to handle, after a day in a reactor a small fraction of it will be converted into fission products which will make it quite inapproachable without heavy shielding. It could then be shipped to its destination in a distant reactor in the same 78-80 ton shell "flask" that is now used for bringing the similarly radioactive spent fuel rods from the reactor to the processing plant. You cannot spirit a 70-ton container across open coun-70-ton container across open country, and anyone trying to extract the contents without having complicated remote-controlled equipment would receive a lethtal dose of radiation in a small fraction of a

handling it at either end of its journey, where equipment to handle such objects is necessarily available. Guards would of course be needed at the establishment, as they are already at all military establishments and at all factories producing bulk quantities of dangerous chemicals, but these do not have

inousand Spanish victin restrictions have regained their freedom of expression. Since the harassment of

R. J. PELIZA, Elected Member, House of Assembly, Gibraltur,

#### Cuban nuclear plant noticeable effects on civil libernes. From Mr Patrick Howarth it would be more sensible to be concerned with the risks of moving

Yours faithfully, .

Planning Director,

British Airports Authority, 2 Buckingham Gate, SW1. April 13.

D. W. TURNER.

sic, Am I being usive, reactionary, racist, elarmist or all four at the same time if I describe the news that the Soviet Union is to provide Cuba with a nuclear energy plant as one of the most appalling happenders of recent years. togs of recent years? Yet it was deemed to merir only a paragraph. and not a very prominent one, in your columns (April 9), and, so far es I am aware, has given rise to tirrie comment.

When one wonders will similar facilities be afforded to President Yours faithfully, PATRICK HOWARTH 219a Kings Road, SW3,

## Fragile eggshells

April 11

From Mrs Curtis Dean Sir, The Major is quite right, the modern hen lacks grit.

For several hilarious months during the War I was responsible for a large number of hens kept to provide fresh eggs for the officers' mess. My ignorance of poultry rearing was total so I was dismayed when the eggshells turned soft, I was told that oyster shells were needed in the diet—quite unobtainable in wartime—but luckily the sea was near so I spent many tedious dispel.

The Christ I saw portrayed was the Christ of my childhood dreams: when I ceased to be a child I put away childhood things. My pain is that I find so many of my fellow human beings, believers and non-believers, to be quite stuck in the childhood image. For so many spiritual development gets stuck and remains fixed at a fantasy level. At such a level is Christ portrayed so small wonder that when the was near so I spent many tedious hours collecting and crushing shells found on the beach and feeding them to the hens. And, hey-presto! It worked.

By the time I was posted the catering officer had been persuaded to provide official RAF quasport and once a month Operation Seashell set off, with many volunteers, for a day by the sea. And the officers were again enjoying their new-laid, hard-shelled breakfast eggs. .

Thus was the War won. Yours faithfully, CURTIS DEAN, 1005 Frognal, Hampstead, NW3. April 12,



### **COURT** CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE

April 13: The Archbishop of Camerbury and Mrs Cosgan, His Excellency the Danish Ambassador and Macume Kristiansen, His Excellency the High Commissioner for Kenwa and Dr Nieri Notethe for Kenya and Dr Njeri Ng'ethe nor Kenya and Dr Merr Ng ether Njoroge, the Secretary of State for the Home Department and Mrs Rees, the Viscount and Viscountess Esher and Mr and Mrs David Money-Courts have left the Castle.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will visit St Jude's Church of England Middle School, Engle-field Green, Surrey, on May 31 to mark its 150th anniversary.

The Carlton Club will hold a reception at 9 pm on Thursday, May 26, to celebrate the silver jubilee of the Queen. The chair-man and vice-chairman elect. Mr Harold Macmillan, OM, and Lord Ashdown, will receive the guests. A thanksgiving service for the life of Mr Ronald Farron Summer will be held at St Vedast-alias-Foster, Foster Lane, EC2, on Tuesday, April 19, 1977, at 1.15 pm.

#### Birthdays today

Colonel Sir Hugh Boustead, 82; Professor Sir Robert Bradlaw, 72; Sir John Glelgud, 73; Professor D. W. Holder, 54; Baroness Masham of Ilton, 42; Sir Wilfred Morton, 71; Admirat the Hon Sir Guy Russell, 79; Baroness Wootton of Abinger, 30.

#### Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Professor Moses Fiuley, Professor of Ancient History, Cambridge University, to be a trustee of the British Museum, in succession to British Museum, in succession to Lord Fletcher.

Mr Simon Sainsbury, deputy chairman, J. Sainsbury Ltd., to be a crustee of the Wallace Collection, in succession to Sir Antony Horuby.

#### Prospective candidate

Mr George Herod, a former miner, to be prospective National Front candidate for Ashfield. At the last general election Mr D. Marquand, Labour, who is expected to take up an EEC appointment, had a majority of 22,915 in a three-cornered contest.

Today's engagements Princess Margaret, as President, attends charity gale in sid of Dockland Settlements, Circus Tavern, Purfleet, 8.30. The Lord Mayor of London presides at Court of Common Council, Guildhall; 1. Exhibition of Japanese paintings and prints, the schools of Ganku and Buncho, British Museum, 10.3

Exhibition: Happy and Glorious; 130 years of royal photographs, National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, 10-5.

The Queen's Life Guard mounting ceremony, Horse Guards, White-hall, 11.

Solving a 30,000-piece Greek vase jigsaw puzzle Sir William Hamilton, Emma's complaisant husband and the British Minister at the Court of the Two Sicilles for 30 years, formed two great collections of classical antiquities during his ministry. When he was pressed for money the 700 Greek vases that makes looking for a needle in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her province of the Emma used as props in her province of the Emma used as props in her antiquities during this scale of the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her antiquities of the seabed in a props in her collection were the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her antiquities of the seabed in a physical search of the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her antiquities of the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her antiquities of the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her antiquities of the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her that Emma used as props in her that Emma used as props in her the seabed in a treasure bunt that Emma used as props in her that are now reconstructing the vases in the sherd room of the British Museum as being from vases that were very seasons since the two seasons complaisant husband and the British Minister at the Court of the Two Sicilles for 30 years, formed two great collections of All the best Greek vases eventually come home to roost in their proper crockery nest, the British Museum. The latest old mastertually come home to roost in their proper crockery nest, the British Museum. The latest old masterpots are now coming home after the most perilous and circulative odyssey by way of Naples and shipwreck in the stormy, sherd-spluttering seas off the Isles of Scilly.

Dr Ann Birchal, assistant of live and constitute the nucleus of the best collection, which he described as even finer than the first included a thousand vises.

Dr Ann Birchall, assistant

and Miss D. R. C. Harland
The engagement is announced
between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs

herween Peter, son of Mr and Mrs Philip Hall, of Home Farm, Spooner's Row, Wymondham, Nor-folk, and Diana, elder daughter of Air Marshal Sir Reginald and Lady Harland, of Woodside House, Amport, Andover, Hampshire.

The engagement is announced between Roderick, son of Mr and Mrs E. G. Dadak, of Cleveland Road, Ealing, W13, and Judy, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs M. F. W. Tyndall, of Merrybill, Thakeham, Sussex.

Mr P. W. Kohn
and Miss H. M. C. Stevenson
The engagement is announced
between Paul Walley, second son
or the late Joseph Kohn and of
Mrs Mary Kohn, of Whitchurch,
Shropshire, and Harriet Mary
Chalmers, daughter of LieutenantColonel and Mrs Malcolm Stevenson, of Exlade, Woodcote, Oxfordkrire

and Miss K. Finucane
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and
Mrs F. Moore, of Ealing, London,
and Rosemary, daughter of Mr
and Mrs P. Finucane, of Hanworth,

Mr R. A. Stevens and Miss S. M. Low The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs R. Lancefield Stevens, of Hadley Wood, Hertfordshire, and Suspanse daughter of Mr and Mrs.

Susanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Dixon Low, of Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

The engagement is announced between klaus, youngest son of the late Dr Gustav Tilmann and of

Mrs Thea Tilmann, of Cherusker Strasse 4. Boon-Badgodesberg, and Susan, younger daughter of Mr-and Mrs Smart Macpherson, British Embassy, Boon,

Mr John Henry Ley, of Hyde Park, London, left £704,095 net. He left his landscape at Vence by Raoul Duty and his painting by Soutine to the National Gallery. After other bequests he left a quarter of the residue to the Jewish Welfare Board, and a

Mr K. K. G. Tilmann and Mas S. D. Macpherson

Latest wills

Pictures left to

National Gallery

Mr N. F. Meore and Miss R. Finucane

Mr R. E. Dadak and Miss J. E. Tyndall

Mr P. W. Kohn

Forthcoming

marriages

Mr P. P. Hall

Dr Ann Birchall, assistant keeper in the department of Greek and Roman antiquities at the British Museum, yesterday gave a progress report to the Classical Association on the wettest and most romantic of present archaeological diving excavations. She is directing the recovery of the Hamilton vases from the sea.

described as even finer than the storage jars, mixing bowls, oil first, included a thousand vases. When he fled from Napoleon and painted by the choice and master crattsmen of Athens. Corinth and collection, including eight cases southern Italy in a period extending from the late seventh century to the end of the fourth century to the end of the fourth century. The Colossus sank in a fierce

Mr O. Vaughan-Jones and Miss A. P. Thorley The engagement is announced between Oliver, son of the late Mr E. Vaughan-Jones and of Mrs Vaughan-Jones, of Warham, Nor-folk, and Alice, daughter of Sir Gerald and Lady Thorley, of Bale,

Mr J. O. Deutsch and bliss A. D. Bleckly
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. L. Deutsch, of Crowleys Oak, Ullenhall, Warwickshire, and Diana, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R. S. Bleckly, of Buttyfold Cottage, Grappenhall, Cheshire.

and aliss P. M. Clarke
The engagement is announced
between David Arthur, younger
son of Mr and Mrs E. A. Lindley,
of Ensom, Surrey, and Penelope
Marion, daughter of Mr and Mrs
J. V. C. Clarke, of The Lodge,
Colne Engaine, Coichester.

and Miss J. D. Steward
The engagement is announced between Michael, younger son of
Mr and Mrs Derek Platt, of Hambledon, and Jane, daughter of Mr
and Mrs Derek Steward, of Hambledon

Mr A. Ryan and Miss J. Thompson and Miss J. Thompson The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of the late Michael Ryan and Imogen Ryan, of Church Cottage, Donhead St Mary, Dorser, and Jennifer, younger daughter, of John and Eve Thompson, of 52 Inverness Gardens, W.S.

Mr W. J. C. Scrope and Mrs J. M. Sheffield The engagement is announced between William, son of Mr and Mrs A. C. Scrope, and Virginia, eldest daughter of Mrs W. Wirtels and Major A. P. Mitchell.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and. Mrs K. P. Witney, of Toubridge, Kent, and Ann, daughter of Wing Commander and Mrs F. Ruskell, of Pontage of Pontage

quarter to charities for the physically disabled.

Mrs Eleanor Frances Church, of Newbury, left 558,532 net. After various bequests she left the residue equally among Dr Barnardo's, St Dunstan's, Solvation Army, RSPCA, the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, and the Star and Garter Home, Richmond. Other estates include (net. before duty paid; duty not disclosed): Bent, Dr George Edward, of Conwy . . . £147,555

Mr N. K. J. Witney and bliss A. M. Ruskell

Commander and Mrs F. of Bournemouth, Dorset.

Mr D. A. Lindley and Miss P. M. Clarke

Mr M. W. Platt

Mr P. J. Barber-Fleming

Mr T. P. C. Hawkesworth

and Miss E. A. Sparke

Mr T. J. Mills and Miss F. P. Nunn

Mr H. L. Richards and Miss B. F. Kreiser

Somerset.

and Miss J. M. Barratt

The engagement is announced between Peter James, elder son of Mr and Mrs C. E. Barber-Fleming, The Garrauld, Balfron Station, and Jane Mary, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs E. R. Barratt, Wimbledon, London.

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs J. S. Hawkesworth, of Knos-

sington, Rutland, and Elizabeth, daughter of the lare Captain M. E. B. Sparke, of Gunthorpe, and of Mrs Sparke, of Lethering-sett, Norfolk.

and Miss F. P. Nunn
The engagement is aunounced between Trevor, eldest son of hir
and Mrs George Mills, of Windylow, Hartfield, Sussex, and Fiona,
eldest daughter of Captain and
Mrs John Nunn, of Warner's Cottage, Corhampton, Hampshire, and
1812 South Woodside Lane,
Virginia Beach, United States.

The engagement is announced between Henry Lloyd, second son of Commander and Mrs R. M. Richards, Caerynuch, Dolgelhau, Gwynedd, and Barbara Frances, only daughter of Major and Mrs C. J. W. Kreiser, Brook Cottage, Lower Westholme, Pfiton,

Westholme,

and Miss N. J. Hattaway
The engagement is announced
between Joseph. 4on of Mr and
Mrs John Tackenberg, of
Patchoguć, Long Island, New
York, United States, and Ngara
Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs
R. Hathaway, of Bloxham, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Mr and Mrs Jack A. Turley, of Braeside, Kippington Road, Sevenoaks, and Nicola, eldest daughter of Licutemant-Colonel and Mrs James Shaw, of Clump House, Odiham, Hampshire.

Colvin, Brigadler Richard Benle Rouse, of Colchester . £417,553 Clegg, Mr James Shields, of Old Woodhouse, Leicestershire, former managing director, Ladybird Books . £425,588

Staszewski, Mr Bernbardt Solomon,

Royal Court is

canter and disbetes mollims, under J. R. G. Edwards.
E17.875 (supplementary) from Natural Environment Research Council: thermorementaries. In all anomagnetites. under Dr. W. O'Rolly.
E45.400 from Science Research Council for the Sc

M. P. Austin, EA (Cantab), to be research fellow, department of economics, for two years.
R. M. MacLeod, to be bursar of Alcuin College.

Ordany Sections from Science Research Council; Joint Study with New Castle University of modelling and regulation of a regenerator system under varying operating conditions. Sill-sec textension; for une year from University of the Section of a regenerator conditions. Sill-sec textension; for une year from University utraviolot communications Head-quarters; utraviolot communications

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Appointments

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Mr J. Tackenberg and Miss N. J. Hathaway

Dr S. J. Turley and Miss N. V. Shaw

that makes looking for a needle in a haystack seem child's play with-out getting the child's feet wet. Fragments from the same small vase have turned up as far as 10 metres apart. They come from storage jars, mixing bowls, oil jars, cups and bowls turned and

actiquarian tubleaux vivants known engagingly as "Lady Hamilton's attitudes". The experts have differentiated by style and fabric which little town in southern Italy or Greece each fragment came from. Some can already be attributed to individual

approaching. It is soon going to be possible to reassemble a large number of Sir William Hamilton's long lost vases, and so recover works of art of 25 centuries ago

that seemed smashed and shipwrecked until the last trump.
In another address Professor
Gavin Townend, of Durham University, discovered the cogency of Lucreius; in particular the puzzling question of whom Lucre-tips is talking to in his clusters of concentrated imperatives and appeals to the second person. Is it Meramius, the disappointing and worldly politician whom he hoped to arreact into the calmer waters of Epicurean philosophy? Could which indicates that the books of

it be, gentle reader, yourself?

By precise and scholarly analysis, Professor Townend suggested that there is a marked change of attitude in Lucretius to his reader De Rerton Natura were originally planned in a different order and never completely revised.

A good English mahogany long-

case clock decorated with carring and inlay went to the same dealer for 22,200 (estimate 21,090 to

for £2,200 (estimate 21,000 to £2,000) and an Iranian buyer paid £1,850 (estimate £1,000 to £2,000) for a pair of "George III" satinfor a pair of "George III" sating

birch marquery commodes made in the 1900s in the manner of John VIIe.

A collection of 3S pieces of

American scrimshaw totalled 53.278, including 5220 (estimate 5150 to 5300) for a whale's tooth

## Silver porringer of 1658 is sold for £4,600

Commonwealth two-handled PB, were sold for 24,000 to E4,000) at Christle's resterday. The sale of English and foreign silver totalled 576,678, with 6 per

silver totalled 576,678, with 6 per cent unsold.

Four George III partly fluted oval sauceboats by D. Smith and R. Sharp dated 1767 and 1768 went to koopman for £2,400 (estimate £1,600 to £2,000).

A pair of Victorian caudlesticks by Barnard and Company sold for £2,300 to Freeman (estimate £500 to £1,000), and a pair of Victorian two-bandled wine coolers went to Koopman for £2,000 (estimate £1,700 to £2,200).

Simons paid £1,900 for a set of four George III candlesticks by Ebenezer Coker, dated 1769 (estimate £1,200 to £1,500).

At Sotheby's Belgravia a sale of

mate £1,200 to £1,500).

At Sotheby's Belgraria a sale of English furniture, clocks and watches, works of art and textiles totalled £50,785. The sale confirmed the steady demand for good reproduction furniture, especially for small, decorative and useful pieces.

A Harrogate dealer pald £3,500 (estimate £1,000 to £2,000) for a set of 10 Edward and Roberts mahogany "Chippendale" dining chairs copied in about 1880 from eighteenth-century examples at Hagley Hall, near Stourbridge.

scrimshaw portraying Admiral La Bougainville, dated 1781, the reverse with his flagship. At Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York yesterday the first part of a sale of Continental, American a sile of Commental, American and English silver, autique jewelry, objects of virtu, miniatures and chess sots realized \$281,285 (£163,337).

A fine pair of French and American silver five-light candelabra were sold to a Paris dealer for \$10,000 (£5,813), and a European miniature bases and \$6.000.

pean private buyer paid \$6,000 (53,488) for a rare pair of George II silver bullet rea pots by John Jacobs, London, 173. Jacobs, London, 1737.

A rare Maltese alliver ewer, of the mid-eighteenth century, was sold for \$5,500 (£3,197) to a private buyer, and a Louis XV and XVI after after after the late eighteenth century, went to a London dealer for \$5,000 (£2,207).

also priant-in-charge of Horsey-accided as Creek Samouth. The Rey J. E. Large, Vicar of Harrisburgh with Walcol, and Rural Dian of Washam, to be also refession recurrency of Lessingham and Homoscadd. The Rey C. Nicholson, area secretary of the Courth Vissionary Society to be pries-in-charge of Potter Holgham with Ropps and Bastwick.

#### Church news

Appointments
ine Rev F. R. Bentley, priest-incharge of St Bartholomew's, Schmal Green, success of London, to be Taim fuction of How (St Marr's, Bow with St Leonard's, Brownley, and priest-in-inarge of Holy Trinity, Mile End and All Hallows, Davone Road, same dioc 25e, inc Rev A. A. Cl. gue, Vicur of Lozayre and Rural Dean of Ramsey, illocete of Sodor and Man, to be cannot of St German's Cathedraf, Peel, same diocase. Appointments of St German's Cathedras, rees, same diocrec.
The Row, J. B. Dickinson, curale of St Mary's, likesion, docuse of Derby, to be Vicar of Allenton and Shelion lock. Derby, to be Vicar of Allenton and Shelion lock. Derby, and the Row D. B. A. Johnson, warden of Lee Abboy international Student's Chib, Bouth Kenamuton, diocese of Landon, to be Vicar of Smarth, vicar of Smarth, and Mushary, diocese of Smarth, and Mushary, diocese of Loctor, to be Vicar of Collombian and Actificate with Stackborough, same diocese.

diocese. Rev. C. J. Sensberr. Vicar of Carlorne. diocese of Winchester. to be Vicar of St. Like's, Stanmory, Winchester. The Rev K. Word had withdrawn his acceptance of the brancics of Pinhus and will repain as Rector of Cherkon Bishop, diacese of Exeter,

Diocese of Canterbury Craon M. L. Cooner, Vicer of St Mary the Virgin, Maidstone, in he site of St Martin's, Dellang Deithin The Rev A. A. Duke, Vicer of Help Cross. Bearsted, to be also priest-incherge of St. Mery the Virgin. The Rev I, C. Hawkins, Vicer of Colmanney, diocese of Derby, in he Vicer of St. Peter and St. Paul's.

The Rev G. L. C. Wastwell, Virgin The Rev G. L. C. Wastwell, Virgin

were :

Resignations
The Rev T. J. Ch.ids. Rector of Editatich, docode of Sodor and Man, on S. J. D. D. R. Vicar of St. John & docts of Sodor and Man on John & docts of Sodor and Man on John J. L. Carrier & Editatic Handley, Vicar of Sark, discrete of Limited Handley, Vicar of Sark, discrete of Limited Handley, Vicar of Sark, discrete of Limited Handley, Vicar of St. Nicholas & A. A. Will Holy Trinly, Westmarsh, clocese of Camierbury, on Baptist Union

Mr W. Allen, Spargeon's College, to Nap en Road Sapilst Caurch, Inswirts, The Rev S. C. Bennett, Shirler Papillet Church Southampton, to Bert-hamsted Sapilst Church. The Rev S. Cray to Tharted Sapilst hemsied Baptist Church.
The Rev S. Gray to Thanted Baptist
Circh.
Mr I. Missie. Spurgeon's College,
to Tradale Baptist Church. Bristol. As
associate Baptist Church. Bristol.
The Rev. Phillips. Salem Baptist
Church. Landors. to Bedne Baptist
Church. Landors. to Bedne Baptist
Church. Willichurch. Cardiff.
The Rev. F. Platt. of Thornhill Baptist
Church. Southampion. to Alder froad
Baptist Church. Parksione.
The Rev. S. Sharpe. Williesten Green
Santist Church. London. to Burilapton
Baptist Church. Issuelch.
ifs K. Taylor Seurgeon's College. to
Million Half Baptist Church. Kiddermingter. Thirmhan.

The Roy I, C. Hawkins, Vicar of Colinanhay, diocese of Derby, to be Vicar of St. Peter and St. Paul's.

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Osaringo, St. Peter and St. Paul's.

The Rev. G. L. C. Westwell, Vicar of St. Martin's, Maldetone, to be Vicar of St. Martin's, Maldetone, to be Vicar of St. Vicaraet's, Bethersden, with St. Martin's, Majdetone, to be Vicar of St. Vicaraet's, Bethersden, with St. Martin's, Majdetone, to be St. George's Bandlet Church, Clieshan, Chirch.

Diocese of Norwich

The Roy I, Barris, Rector of Winterton-on-Son with East Somerton, to be

| Royal Navy transfers

#### Memorial service The following Supplementary List officers have been selected for transfer to the General List from Sir Bryan Bonsor A memorial service for Sir Brean

Bonsor was hold at St Paul's. Knightsbridge, yesterday. Rev Donald Harris officiated, and Sir Nicholas Bonsor (son) read the lesson. Among those present

WERE:

Elizabeth Lady Bonsor (widow), Mr
and Mrs Richard Bonsor (son and
daughter-in-law), the Hon Lady
Bonsor (daughter-in-law), Pir and
Airs David Bonsor (brother and
Bister-in-law), Mr and Mrs Alexander
Stowart (brother-in-low and sistor),
Mr 'Anthony Bonsor, Mr Nell Bonsor,
Air and Mrs Bruce Hotges, Mr M.
Siewart, Miss Zara Stewart, Miss P.
Aldersogt, Miss Zara Stewart, Miss P. Bitmingstey, e. P. Besselgies, c. Donaidson, Donaidson, ENGINEERUNG: Lioutonanta R. C. Caesier, A. J. Donay, M. G. Lee, P. L. Hatton, T. F. Maddock, i. D. Lamb, I. D. L. Routter, W. G. Wood, Supply AND SECRETARIAT: Lieutenant C. S. Bartor.
Selected for transfer to a permanent commission on the Supplementance of the Commission on the Supplementance of the Commission of of t ERY LIST; AIRCRBY: Lieutenant-Commanders P. Barion, M. S. Blisselt, P. L. Chesman, M. J. W. Granger-Holczmby. Lieuten-saits A. C. Briman, D. A. Peerce, J. R. Drassfield, C. N. A. Kill, F. C. Col-ing, P. J. Rardy, T. J. Howard-Jones, P. S. Beiding, R.M., Boland, W. A. Craig, D. W. Hill, J. W. Bates, C. W. Watte. 

25 years ago From The Times of Monday, April 14, 1952

Eisenhower's plans From Our Own Correspondent
Washington. April 13.—General
Elseahower's decision to resign
Ifrom his position of Nato
Supreme Commander in Europe]
and return to the United States
on June 1 may not have been a
surprise to anyone—even the date
had been known to winth a few
days since Mr Paul Hoffman's

visit to Paris—but its announcement has been a relief to his supporters who are hooing it will have an important effect on the voting in the New Jersey primary on Tuesday. All those newspapers which are on the general's side have paid tribute to the wisdom, dignity, and sense of public responsibility apparent in his letters of resignation and in his statement to his press conference yesterday. Senator Taft also expressed his official pleasure at the general's decision to present his candidacy in person to the voters of this country. visit to Paris-but its announce

## Cancer: Identifying nitrosamines some vitamins, and other con-

been devised to make possible investigation of a group of compounds, of concern to cancer research workers and scientists research workers and scientish studying health hazards associated with deterioration of foodstuffs. The technique, which is under development by the British Food Manufacturing Industries' Research Association, at Leatherhead, Surrey, on behalf of the United States National Cancer Institute at Bethesda, Maryland, provides a way of isolating and identifying members of the clusive nitrosamine group which are known to be carcinogenic in animals in tiny amounts.
Dr C, L. Walters, research supervisor in hlochemistry at Leatherhead, explains in the current issue of Chemistry in

assessing the risks they pose to the assessing the risks they pose to the community. Nevertheless a recent fall in the incidence of stomach canter in Europe and America has been antributed to less deterioration in food, ranging from fresh vegetables to cured meats, cheeses and fish, by storage in refrigerators.

a wide range of essential sub-stances in plants and animels. In practice they may be formed from the nitrate in green vegetables, root crops and water supplies (where they are comminated by effluent and fertilizers leached from the land) by interaction with natural blochemicals, which include

hinder their formation. Such agents occur in normal saliva and the gastric secretions. In a simple solution, for instance, thiocyanate

However, the process of forma-tion in the body as a cancer threat is complicated. There are many factors such as bacteria and biochemicals that can stimulate or hinder their formation. Such

## OBITUARY

## MISS DOROTHY REYNOLDS Actress and librettist

Miss Dorothy Reynolds, the actress, who died on April 7 at the age of 64, was valued for many faithful and detailed character performances; and (with Julian Slade as composer) as the libretrist of balf-a-dozen buoyant musicals, among them Salad Days. Recognized early as a reper-

tory actress, she specialized in the range of elderly women often hard to cast. Tall, commanding, and precisely spoken, she developed across the years to such West End parts as the stylized Compton-Burnett chate-laine of A Heritage-And Its History: the headmistress (in The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie), with the feeling of a windy Edinburgh afternoon on Waverley Steps; and the Comtesse ("The fun men baye!") in What Every Woman Knows. These were unflawed in phras-

repertory grounding before reaching London (1943-45) when Alec Clunes managed the Arts.; there she moved easily between a variety of characters. More repertory followed at Liverpool, Glasgow, and Salisbury; and in 100000, the page exception The Firstborn. Later, at Bristol. Old Vic, she proved to be steadily popular as both actress and writer. She had always a gently individual sense of humour that refreshed her libretti.

Nine pages in smiriam in Fry's adaptations from Compton-Burnet and Muriel Spark, and plays by Peter Shaffer, Alan plays by Peter Shaffer, Alan plays by Peter Shaffer, Alan for Constant Wire), Barrie, and Shaw (The RSC's Too True Individual sense of humour that refreshed her libretti. Nine parts in Salad Days



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Free As Air dain) Savoy), and she asted in two Born in Birmingham in before a fairly long run land landary, 1913. she went on the fall in Coward's Sail Away.

Acutely versatile, she went in Acutely versatile, she went in Phèdre (Arts.) Cambridge) and Volumnia in Guthrie's production of Coriologies at the New Nottingham Playhouse. Thenceforward (1965-76) she became a warmly regarded West End actress in advinging from Compton Russians

over gallandy, at short notice an intricate part in O'Neill's More Stately Mansions. (1954) kept her for three Lon More Stately Mansions, don years at the Vaudeville; She was married to the actor she had another year in her Angus Markay.

## M JACQUES PRÉVERT

M Jacques Prévert, the variably studio made) and the French poet, playwright, and low-life characters. Their fatalistic flavoir can be seen to minim Normandy on Monday at the age of 77.

important figures in the French cinema of the 1930s and 1940s and collaborated with many of the leading directors of the period including Jean Renoir, Andre Cayatte, Jean Grémillon and his brother, Pierre Prévert. part als longest and best known parmership was with Marcel Carné and it produced at least three acknowledged classics, Quai des Brunes, Le Jour se Lère, and Les Enfants du Paradis. But his longest and best known

Prévert was born at Neuillysur-Seine in February, 1900. As a young man he became involved in the surrealist movement of the 1920s, which was largely centred in Paris. The style and ideas of surrealism were to have a strong influence on his work particularly the series of films he wrote for hisbrother which are notable for an anarchic sease of humour and mocking of authority.
Another formative influence was the Groupe Octobre, a radical theatre movement formed in 1933 to explain the political issues of the day to a specifically working-class audience, Prévert contributed a number of plays which were performed in factories and at:

strike meetings. The flavour of this work is apparent in his script for Renoir's 1936 film, Le Crime de Monsieur Lange. Its warm, optimistic tone was, ironically, nearer to Preverts. own temperament than the bleaker message of the Carué films for which he is best known. The partnership started with Caroe's first picture, Jenny, in 1936, and lasted for more than 10 years. Of the prewar films, the most notable were Quai des Brumes and Le Jour se Lève, both starring Jean Gabin as a tragic victim of circumstances. They were given the label "poetic realism", the poetry coming from Prévert's

ge of 77.

He was one of the most of the Second World War.

The Carné-Prévert partner.

Income of the 1930s and 1940s ship managed to survive the German invasion and, despite obvious difficulties, produced two of its most memorable pictures during the occupation— Les Visiteurs du Soir (1942) was ostensible a fairy tale set in the fifteenth contury, but it was widely taken as an allegory of the French struggle against the Nazia There were contemporary references, too, in Les Enfants du Paradis, though it was set in the nineteenth-century Parisian theatrs. Starring Jean-Louis Barrault and Arlenty, it took three years to make, ran more than three hours; and is probably the most enduring of the Prevert-Carné

> In 1945 Prévers demonstrated another side of his talent by writing the story for a ballet which become the basis in the following year of Carne's film Les Portes de la Nuit. But in this instance, poetry and realism were unbappily blended, the film was a commercial failure, and it virtually marked the end of the partnership, though Prevert worked uncredited, on the script of Carné's 1950 Simenon adaptation, La Marie du Port.

From this date Prévert virtually abandoned the feature film but he continued to work on documentaries, short films and in radio. His first volume of collected poems appeared in 1946 and it was followed by several others. His poetry was often experimental in form, covered a range of personal and social subjects and was en-thused by a characteristic gaiety

The first volume, entitled Paroles, had enormous success, becoming a best-seller. Many of his lyrics were sung by such popular performers as Yves Montand, Juliatte Graco and Charles Transt Charles Trenet. -

#### MR WILLIAM MATTHEWS

B. D. M. writes: With the death of William Matthews on Good Friday, British crafts have lost one of their foremost figures.

scripts, the realism from the settings (though they were in-

He was born in 1898, and was He was born in 1898, and was the last of the leading hand bookbinders to have had experience of a large West End bindery in its heyday before the First World War. He was apprenticed to W. T. Morrell in 1914, after a three year scholarship course at the Central School of Arts and Crafts, where he studied bookbinding with Peter McLeish, design with Noel Rooke, and lettering with Graily Rooke, and lettering with Graily

Within a year he ran away Within a year he ran away from his apprenticeship, and, although under age, enlisted in The Somerset Light Infantry serving twice on the French front Returning to Morrell's in 1919, he completed his apprenticeship winning both silver and bronze medals in the City and Guilds examinations. He started working on his own He started working on his own in 1926, executing many imporn 1926, executing many impor-ant commissions, including the 3attle of Britain Roll of Honour. Fine examples of his bindings tant commissions, including the Battle of Britain Roll of Honour.

Sir Allan Eliott Lockhart, CIE, a prominent industrialist in India, and in the 1930s a member of the All India Coun-cil, died suddenly on April 9.

He was managing director of Gladstone Lyall & Co. of Calcutta, for 21 years; and from 1959 to 1967 divisional managing director of Stewarts and Lloyds Ltd. During the Second World: War he worked in the Government of India Department of Supply, and was Direc-tor General of Munitions Pro-duction in 1945-46. At one time president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce in India, and of the UK Citizens' Association of India, he had retired to live in Lanark.

Mr Philip K. Wrigley, the chewing gum magnate and owner of the Chicago Cubs baseball team, died on Tuesday at the age of 82. He was a son of the founder of the firm.

can be found in the British Library, the Victoria & Albert Museum, New York Public Museum, New 107s, rhouse Library and many other public and private collections. His work has always been characterized by the most correct methods of construction and materials with mericalists. naterials, with meticulous designs that make the greatest possible use of gold tooling often using tools he cut himself. He remained active until the last and considered some of his last and considered some of his last work to have been done best work to have been done during the last decade. In 1976 he was awarded the insignia of the City and Guilds Institute, their highest award and the first time it has been given to a bookbinder. For more than 50 years, William Matthews taught bookbinding part-time, first at the Central School, later at the North Western Polytechnic er the art schools of Sutton, Epsom, Kingston-upon-Thames, and Guildford. His enthusiasm for his craft was infectious, and the fact that he taught so many of the finest hand-bookbinders

Mr Chang Key-Young, formerly Deputy Prime Minister of South Korea, a member of the International Olympic Committee, and a newspaper proprietor, died of a heart attack in Seoul on April 11, aged 60. Since 1973 Mr Chang had been a Government Party member of the National Assembly.

Carlos Prio. President of Cuba from 1948 to 1952, has died in a Mismi Beach hospital at the age of 74. Cuba's last constitutionally elected president he was deposed as Cuban head of state by Fulgencie Baitsta in 1952. After his 2011 from power he had lived first in Mexico and then settled in Miami Beach.

Mr James Jackson, vice-chairman of the Milk Marketing Board for 18 years from 1958, died at his Lancashire farm on April 9. He was 67.

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Marriage

mid Miss J. A. Tooby

The marriage took place on April
9 at St Bartholomew's Church,
Wilmslow, between Mr. David
Penrose, only son of the late Mr.
Michael Penrose and Mrs Betty
Penrose, of Wilmslow. Cheshire,
and Miss Jacqueline Tooby, only
daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel
F. W. Tooby, of Evesham,
Worcestershire, and Mrs Anne
Tooby, of Washington, DC, United
States.

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another year

By Kenneth Gosling
The Royal Court Theatre, whose
management structure is under
scrutiny by the Arts Council, has
been promised an increase of a
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which stood last year at £220,000.

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another year", Mr Stuart Burge,
the theatre's new artistic director,

Luncheons Taw Society
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by
Mr Alderman and Sheriff Alan
Lamboll, was present at a
luncheon at 60 Carey Street
yesterday. The President of the
Law Society, Mr David Napley,
was the host and the other guests

Were: Lord Deviin, the Hon Sir Marcus Sieff, Mr. Kingsley Amis, Mr. Edgar Last-garten, Mr. R. K. Denby, Mr. J. D. R. Bradbear, and Mr. J. L. Sowron.

Rotary Club of London
The Canadian High Commissioner
was the guest of housin at a
luncheon of the Rotary Club of
London held at the Cafe Royal
yesterday. Mr R. F. Spears, president, was in the chair.

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"We are going to be here for another year", Mr Stuart Burge, the theatre's new eristic director, said yesterday. "The Arts Council has agreed that shall be so."

The theatre has a deficit of £30,000 but it was agreed with the Arts Council that a proportion of it will be paid off in the coming year. Last year the Royal Court received £12,000 from the Greater London Council and it will be asking for £20,000 for the coming year. It receives £100 from Kensington and Cheisea council.

The theatre still faced a precarlous situation, Mr Burge said; the grant and other income provided for keeping the building open, running the Theatre Upstairs and the young people's theatre scheme, and paying the staff was reduced to a minimum.

There, would be one or two fewer productions at the main theatre, but odd weeks would be filled by visiting companies.

University news

Professor P. Rhodes, MA, MB, BChir (Cantab), has been appointed postgraduate dean and director of the regional postgraduate lustitute for medicine and dentistry from May 5. Other appointments include: Adrienne A. Metcalf, BSc, PhD (Ncle), to the Earl Grey Mem-orial Fellowship, department of physical chemistry, and P. A. Broady, BSc (Livernool), PhD (Bristol), to Wilfred Hall Fellow-

ship, department of plant biology, both for two years from Ocro-ber 1.

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Law: D. Clark. Ph.
Law: D. Charles, LLM (Lond).
A(Da). soil science: J. L. Woods.
BEng. (Elvp). Ph. (Sussex). agricultural engineering.

£80,000 appeal

for schools An appeal for £80,000 is to be launched to finance the Royal Caledonian Schools and maintain the buildings. The schools were founded in 1815 for the children of Scottish Servicemen killed or maimed in the Napoleonic wars. Priority is still given to children whose fathers have been killed or disabled while serving in the Forces. Donations may be sent to Mr George Deans, Royal Caledonian Schools, Bushey, Hertfordshire.

English lessons on TV A series of BBC television pro-grammes to encourage Asian adults to learn to speak English will begin in October. It is esti-mated than three fifths of Asian women and two fifths of Asian men living in Britain speak little or no English. Science report

A method of chemical analysis has Britain how those substances may been devised to make possible be formed and the difficulty in

In general nitrosamines arise from the interaction of nitrons acid with certain amines, which include a wide range of essential sub-

that occurs in normal saliva can increase several hundred times the rate of formation of mitrosamines under certain conditions. The con-centration in smokers of thiocyanate is much higher than in non-Survey:

By Our Science Editor

Source: Chemistry in Britain,

April, 1977.

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## THE WES UPTUOLISE **BUSINESS NEWS**



## Central Government borrowing drops more than £4,500m below forecast

Economics Correspondent

Central Government borrowed f1,206m in March, to bring its total for the 1976-77 financial year to £5,835m, more than £4,500m less than was expected at the time of the 1976 Budget. Latest estimates from the Treasury show that during the year revenue exceeded government predictions while expendi-ture from the Consolidated

ture from the Consolidated Fund was lower than expected because of tight controls and falling interest rates.

Total Consolidated Fund expenditure was £39,372m compared with expected expenditure of £39,915m. Spending on goods and services covered by the Sunday Service. the Supply Service Estimates was £138m more than predicted in the Budget, in spite of infla-tion persisting at much higher levels than was thought likely last spring.

last spring.
Interest rates, on the other hand, moved in the Government's favour so that the Consolidated Fund's share of the service of the National Debt was only £1,133m instead of the 11,70m predicted.
Total cost of servicing the vational Debt was £4,534m, which was £366m less than ex-

pected in the 1976 Budget. There was also a small drop in lending by the National loans Fund, which suggests that the Government's message about the need to hold down spending got through to local unthorities and New Towns, once thought to be the Achilles heel of my attempt to hold lows public sector spending. Net lending by the Fund was £940m—£95m less than

Although the Government has

Applications for the foreign currency bonds the British Government is offering to offi-cial oversees holders of ster-

Most of the purchases are

expected to be made today, although the bonds, which

have been on sale for 10 days,

Beer is going up by at least ip a pint. Most of the big brewers are notifying tenants

that wholesale prices are to rise

As brewers only control the

prices cheir licensees charge in the public bars of managed

houses, where is widespread expectation that soloon bar prices could go up by 20 a pint

ing must be in by today.

By Ronald Emley

by that amount

BUDGET DEFICIT

already predicted that when the full public sector borrowing figures become available they will show a total of £8,800msome £3,000m above the figure for central Government alone—

the difference between these two figures is rather less than seemed likely a few months ago. The other side of the equa-tion which has produced public borrowing far lower than was once predicted is that tight control on spending has comcided with a sharp increase in the Government's revenue receipts, particularly from in-

strong demand for the pound, which some observers feared

would encourage the sterling

holders to preserve the present levels of their balances.

is acting for the Treasury in issuing the bonds, has not so far revenled the total value on

offer. This may be made known along with the official

have already entracted a fairly known along with the official announcement about the take.

This is despite the present up of the offer—which was

Saloon bars may charge

2p a pint more for beer

The Bank of England, which

In March, for example, total revenue into the Consolidated Fund was up 17 per cent on March, 1976—£411m in absolute March, 1976—£411m in absolute terms. Inland Revenue receipts were up 13 per cent on a year whereas Customs Excise receipts rose 30 per

Some of this increase reflected the Chancellor's action in December when excise duties were raised, an increase which he is hoping to repeat in modified form in his current Budget. But there is also a significant element of inflation involved.

As the price of goods increases, so does tax collected on them. On the other hand, incomes are not rising at any-thing like the same rate, so the increase in income tax is more restricted. The effect of this is to partly

reverse the experience of recent years under which income taxes have supplied an ever-increas-ing proportion of government revenue while the contribution of indirect taxes has been fall-

oth in two successive years should always be done with extreme caution, since no month is typical of the pattern of recespts for the year as a

But comparison of March, 1976 and March 1977 does show a marked change. In March last year the Inkand Revenue provided 62.7 per cent of total consolidated fund revenue; by this March it provided only 60.4 per cent. Customs and excise, on the other hand, had increased its share from 29.5 to 32.7 per

Foreign currency bond offer closes today Last night, an NEB spokes-man said the injection of new capital will be used to increase PAKMET's seles potential and to expand premises and plant. The NEB obtains 34:39 percent of an enlarged equity. In the past few months the state enserprise has disclosed more promised by Mr Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary of the Treas-ury—and will probably be revealed on Friday. There will be no second than a dozen investments in a

chance for the official overseas holders of sterling to exchange their pounds—which totalled £2,200m at the end of December—for attractivelypriced bonds in dollars, Swiss francs, Deutsche marks and

Working party looks at prospects for a return to free bargaining

## CBI takes new look at pay problems

The highly controversial sub-ject of industrial relations legislation is expected to be

raised by employers next mouth in a major document now under preparation on the issue of pay determination.

This document has not yet been put into final draft form but the Confederation of Bri-tish Industry working party, which has been examining the whole issue of how pay deals can be put on a more rational basis, has been discussing whether it is right to accept the conventional wisdom that

industrial relations legislation is a practical impossibility.

By Our Industrial Editor The flow of investments by the National Enterprise Board

continued yesterday with the announcement of a £146,460

investment in the Northampton-

based engineering concern Packaging Methods

Packaging Methods, known as PAKMET, manufactures a range of convering machines for the corrugated board case industry. It is said to be the

only British producer of auto-

The company approached the NEB, whose holding will be in the form of both equity and preference shares, to find finance for coping with a rapid

inflow of orders, particularly from export markers. It was formed in 1965 by Mr John Lane, the present managing

stackers.

in-line corrugator

When the grand council of the confederation meets next Wednesday it will discuss the Wednesday it will discuss the issues involved in the working party's work. The major part of the investigation by the group is aimed at examining whether there is a way back to a form of free collective bargaining when the expected phase three ends, which would avoid the crises of the past.

CBI officials have given the CBI officials have given the impression that the exami-

nation is, at the moment, long on analysis but short on solutions. But one conclusion they it is that it have reached is that the British pay bargaining system is Leyland inherently inflationary, leading noteworthy

The CBI study, which will

take the form of a discussion document, is likely to single out several areas for special tonsideration. It can be expected to amplify on the critical part played by the Government in the pay bargaining process, both through its role as a financial controller and its place as a major berseiner in its corn right. bargainer in its own right. Employers will be asked why

it is that the pay structures in so many companies—British Leyland is a particularly noteworthy example—mean

to settlements that are more that bargaining is going on than can be afforded without throughout the year, leaving price increases.

The CBI study, which will frogging attempts and differen-

tials disputes.
Officials were anxious to point out yesterday that there was no suggestion that the study would be proposing industrial relations legislation dustrial relations legislation in the next year or two. But there was a feeling that it had been too readily accepted that the whole subject was a dirty word at the moment. It was felt that many people were not persuaded that there should be a privileged legal position for those with a special power and influence.

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discussion

air project

the United States aircraft manu-

facturer, in St. Louis, Missouri,

Mr Kaufman said in New

York yesterday that such a pro-

lect could involve the use of

McDonnell Douglas is already

involved with the French in a

plan to develop the Dassault

Mercure airliner into an ad-

What Mr Kaufman will most

likely be offering is an airliner

of about the same size based on a design already drawn up by

Rolls-Royce engines.

market interest.

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By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

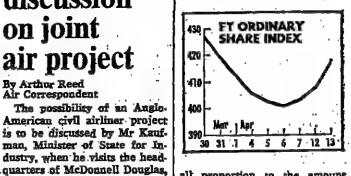
their best session for a month

Shares have

Shares had their best day for month on the stock market in London yesterday and the FT Ordinary share index closed 9.9 up at 417.8, though gilts remained subdued.

With the strength of Wall Street the only positive influence and a generally unfavourable news background, the key to this strong performance was a shortage of stock in the

Dealers said that the demand, though persistent, was only a little better than on Tuesday. but that the stock shortages exaggerated price rises out of



of actual business done. Another factor was the lack of sellers to act as a counterweight to the demand.

In the gilt-edged market long dates recovered from early losses of around three-eighths to close at around their overnight levels. At the shorter end early gains of up to half a point were clipped back on light selling and by the end most stocks stood between one-quarter and three-eighths to the

vanced 180-seater, but his pro-ject has recently become bogged down through lack of Though the character of the trade was more two-way than in equities dealers said it was " punting " market which has temporarily run out of steam.

the British Aircraft Corpora-tion. Coded the X-11, it uses technology contained in BAC's There is now a growing belief that the gilt market is close to the top of its present cycle, and successful One-Eleven airliner, there were reports yesterday more than 200 of which have been sold so far. that some institutions were transferring money into equities This could be powered either and accounting for part of the by modernized versions of the persistent demand.

well-tried Rolls-Royce . Though the index has put on engine, or by the new JT10D engine which Rolls is planning to develop with Pratt and Waitney, the American manualmost 15 points in the two sessions since Easter, most market men remain unconvinced that they are seeing the start of another strong advance.

Mr Kaufman is anxious to obtain new work for the civil-side of the nationalized British aircraft industry, due to be vested in public ownership later this month from the aviation interests of BAC, Hawker Siddleley and Scottish Aviation. in a petiod of uncertainty.

"Unreal" was the way one dealer described the market and

Rather they view the present gains as a reaction to the 30point index loss of the previous three weeks, helped along by

Alteraft factories at Bristol, most would be happy to reach Weybridge, Bournemouth and midsummer with the present Hatfield have space capacity. price levels largely intact.

#### **NEB** buys President will rule out a stake in wage/price controls machinery Economics Correspondent

Washington, April 13

When President Carter's andinflation programme is an-nounced on Friday the complex and long-term measures will definitely not include any form

of wage and price control.

This was stated today by Mr.

Michael Blumenthal, the Treasury Secretary, in a nationally broadcast speech. He said there has been no recent deterioration in the inflation situation and the underlying annual rate was between 5 and 6 per cent.

"We can achieve a declining rate of inflation ... but it must be realized that this has to be a gradual process", he declared. President Carter would stress

the multiple causes of inflation. and the need for policy continuity and persistence in fighting it. "Starting with anti-inflation action by government itself ... we must get the rate lower and the President's announcement will get this process started." The Treasury Secretary said

in a speech to the National Press Club that there would be nothing in the programme in-volving wage and price controls or coercion, either on a manda tory or standby basis. This course had been rejected on sound pragmatic grounds, he

wide range of industries.

On Wednesday, it was an nounced that NEB was taking a majority stake in the Surrey leader of the Administration firmly believed controls could not work and "there is nothing engineering company Mollart in our economic history to show that they can be effective".

over, Spits advisers, Robert Fleming, said that the deal had

Fleming is still considering

its position, but remains as official merchant bank adviser

to the company on the view that it may still have a role to play on behalf of other

Sir Hugh ends his letter by saving that profits for the year to March 31 may be marginally

lower than the previous year's

the Fraser family interests for

Yesterday Suits shores closed higher at 73p, compared th the 95p which Lonrho paid

been struck against

shareholders.



Mr Michael Blumenthol: . gradual process.

However, the economy was still expanding too slowly; memployment was far too high at 7.3 per cent, plant utilization was too low at 80 per cent and business investment spending still depressed. These were reasons for urgent passage by the Senate of the President's stimulative measures, including the proposal for \$50 tax rebates to all Americans. He stressed that the rebate

proposal would not be inflationary, but was essential now that the government was spending about \$10,000m below estimated levels for the first five months of this fiscal year. Mr Blumen-thal was confident the Senate would approve the controversial

electrical group, is expecting to cut its United Kingdom workforce by about 2,000 this

About half of the reduction will take the form of natural wastage but the remainder will

Last year Philips reduced its British workforce by some 6,000, bringing the total number employed to the present 43,000. This was part

employees increased by 4,400, employees increased by 4,400, bringing the total labour force down by 8,000. This year. Philips is again expecting a reduction in its worldwide labour force.

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## Philips to prune UK labour force

Philips Industries, the British arm of the large Dutch

of a general cut in the group's employees throughout Europe. Overall, there was a net de-crease in Europe of 12,400. Elsewhere the number of

#### decision to shareholders by 2,000 land, says that while several tentative approaches had been

involve redundancies, with the bulk of the cuts falling upon the company's retailing and finance interests.

#### the firm offer from Lourho to acquire a stake seemed both ompany to Lourho. In his letter Sir Hugh, much attractive to him and adventaxeous to the company. criticized following an account At the time the link was announced lest month it caused widespread criticism. Morewidespread criticism.

Sir Hugh explains Suits

Sir Hugh Fraser has now written to shareholders of Scottish and Universal Investments ex-plaining why he and his family passed effective control of the

Andrew Goodrick-Clarke

ing error at Shits and in a sub-sequent Stock Exchange inquiry, says that Lourho had been asked to consider making an offer for the whole of Suits, but had rejected this in favour of taking a 24 per cent stake...

It is not possible for me to say whether or not an offer is likely in the future from Lonrho or any other source. I can, however, assure you that if one is made your directors will seek independent advice before making any recommendation to

The interest in Suits bought by Longho represents only part of the Fraser family holdings. Sir Hugh's close family interests still retain 9.7 per cent of the

Sir Hugh, who has stepped down from the chairmanship

## Mr Carter expected to allow oil from Alaska to be sold at world market rate

US Economics Correspondent Washington, April 13

The Carter Administration is likely to make recommendations in the next few days of critical importance to the profitability of the Alaskan oil pipeline project, in which BP is a big participant.

Informed sources said President Carter may send recommendations to the Congress tomorrow on the permissible price at which Alaskan oil can be sold. But a final decision may not be announced until he outlines his energy plan on April

There are now strong indications that the President will favour a price that is close to the current world market price of oil, rather than a substan-tially lower and strictly government-controlled one. This would be extremely good news to the companies in Alaska.

President Ford ruled that all the Alaskan oil should be sold in the United States, but Presi-

dent Carter is said to take the view that it might be more practicable, at least for a few years, if a large quantity of ourput were sold abroad. Under strong consideration is a round of negotiations between

Canadian government officials, at which it will be proposed that Alaskan oil be exchanged for oil owned or under contract to Japan and Canada.

Output from Alaska is seen as being far in excess of the needs of the west coast of the United States. The White House is now believed to favour a scheme whereby some of the Alaskan orl not needed on America's west coast is shipped to Japan in return for shipments-contracted by the Japanese with Middle East producers—that will be delivered to the eastern and Guif states of the United States.

Such an arrangement could substantially reduce transportation costs for the oil companies. President Ford favoured a plan whereby Alaskan oil not needed on the west coast would be shipped to eastern and Gulf states via the Panama Canal. White House experts say this

solution is catremely expensive, especially as giant oil tankers cannot get through the Panama Also under consideration is a plan to swap some Alaskan oil with Canadian energy, with the

Alaskan produce being used in western Canada while the Canadians deliver oil and gas to the eastern part of the The shipment of Alaskan oil abroad would anger many members of the Congress and

hited States shipping interests. Further, it would again make America an exporter of oil and force it to take a stand on acceptable international oil selling prices.

importance to the White House

in deciding on the price at

which Alaskan oil can be sold. The argument is apparently being made strongly here that the best solution from an exporting viewpoint is to permit the current world selling price. When the Alaskan oil pipe-line was planned it was hoped that oil not needed in America's western states could be transported from the west to the Gulf and the east overland. Pipelines have not yet been built, however, and big techni-

on rail transportation. When President Carter makes his decision on Alaskan oil shipments he is also expected to announce plans for the con-struction of overland pipelines from the west to the east to make it possible for all Alaskan oil to go to the American mar-

It is estimated by govern-ment officials that the amount of Alaskan oil that will be produced later this year and which is not needed on the west coast could be about 600,000 barrels daily. Officials now believe oil will start flowing from Alaska in large quantities September. The makers of the pipeline,

the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, announced on April 11 that the pipeline and its terminals are now 95 per cent complete.
The foreign shipment and

pricing decisions are likely to have an important significance in assessing the value of this This factor is said to be of giant project and the rate of return that its chief shareholders are likely to enjoy.

# A record year for Bristol&West

Despite the adverse economic climate, 1976 was a year of records for the Bristol & West Building Society, with loans to housebuyers at £91 million showing an increase of 34.8 per cent on the previous year.

In his annual address to members on Wed-

nesday, April 13th, 1977, Mr Andrew Breach, Chairman of Bristol & West, also reported: An increase in total assets to £437 million – a rise of 17.04 per cent in the invelve

Record gross investment receipts of LIGI million, including reim ested interest, and an increase in investors' balances of £,60 million.

Cash and investments of £113 million, representing a liquidity ratio of 25.99 per cent of total assets

Reserves of £14.23 million, or 3.25 per cent of total assets.

New offices in Blandford Forum, Liskeard, Penyance, Warminster, Wallingford und Henleage, Bristol, and a move to improved premises in Edinburgh.

Plans for expansion in Scotland in 1977, with new offices in Aberdeen and Glasgen. and plans to open a further six new offices in the West Country.

Copies of the Chairman's full address and the Society's Statement of Accounts are available, free of charge, from The Secretary, Bristol & West Building Society, Broad Quay, Bristol BS99 7.A.L.

Bristol & West BUILDING SOCIETY A GREAT WEST COUNTRY INSTITUTION

#### landlords seek to retain heir profit margins. Five of the country's big

the now-quarterly pattern of orice rises. Bass Charrington our Ip on most of its draught cer from yesterday, and Allied before the Price Commission. Allied declined to comment on the details 'yesterday, but is thought that tenants will

he told soon that prices for ager and bottled beers will be reised by 1p a pint next week.
Courage said that an application had been submitted to the
Commission. Scottish & Newcastle said that no submission was yet before the prices body but it is widely expected that it will put in an application be-Whitbread is raising prices from April 25 by 1p a pint on draught beer and by 1p for small bonles. Only Guinness and Watney Mann & Truman of the "big league" are plan-

ing to leave prices unchanged

ad an application approved by

In a statement accompanying the announcement of increases, Whitbread says that the move has been forced by increased

costs for mak, hops, fuel and national insurance contributions. The company had to meet its investment plans to cater for expected demand in the 1980s, and this meant increased The brewing industry is in-

creasing investment by about £300m a year over the next three years, and Whitbread said it was halfway through a £221m spending programms. While all brewers are facing remidly rising costs, this latest While all brewers are facing rapidly rising costs, this latest round of increases must be embarrassing for the industry.

The Price Commission is investigating profit margins of it is widely thought that Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Pro-tection, would like to act to hold down the price of the

working man's pinc It is significant, observers feel, that if the Price Commission finds against the brewers it will be one of the sectors to be first in line for a "price freeze" order when the new legislation comes into force on

The price of beer also carries a heavy weighting in the retail price index, and all rises will bave an adverse effect on the Government's attempts to secure a phase three wages deal.

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## By Petricia Tisdall Britain's three big bakery

Bakers in costs

Mr Hattersley

appeal to

groups, Allied, RHM and Spillers, have repeated their re-quest to Mr Hattersley, Secre-tary of State for Prices and consumer Protection, that he should overrule a Price Com-mission decision on the costs allowed for price increase appli-

The bakeries were told form ally by the commission yester-dey that they had lost the first round in a battle to have the discounts given to big retail customers allowed in cost calcu-

The list of price increase interventions issued by the com-mission for March lists all three bakers as having claims for in-

creases reduced.

A 4.23 per cent increase sought by Allied was dropped to 2.78 per cent, RHM Bakeries had its claim for a 7.21 per cent rise clipped to 5.82 per cent and Spillers French Baking was allowed only a 8.17 per cent rise on its bread products, instead In each case the modification was made because the bakers

included the discounts in their application. The increase allowed by the Commission will permit the bakers to put up the price of pon-standard small 1402 loaves by about 1p. Large 280z stan-dard loaves which account for the bulk of the trade went up by 1p to 22p in most areas last month—the second increase

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The FT index: 417.8 +9.9

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deflective rate 39.759 per cent). Sterling closed 4pts up at 1.7197. The effective rate of exchange was unchanged at 61.6.

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Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1747.9 (previous 1741.0). Reports, pages 20, 21 and 22 On other pages' · 20 | Anglo American Securities Appointments vacant 25, Alzo NV Bank base rates

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American, Japanese Preliminary Announcements:

By Colin Ivermee

The structure of British Leyund should be recommended by the structure of British Leyparts perhaps sold off to the private sector, Mr Norman managed to maintain. Lamont, an Opposition spokesman on industry, urged yester- the present scale.

day.

There was a real risk, Mr Lamont said, that the further integration of the different businesses would merely lead to the bleeding of the successful parts by the unsuccessful, and that disastrous results would

Mr Lamont, Conservative MP for Kingston upon Thames, told a constituency meeting: "The next Conservative Government will review the situation at British Leyland and will not pump money into a business

bodies spurn

Associations representing the major life and composite in-

surance companies have come out against the Bullock

Committee's recommendations

In a submission to Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, the British Insurance Associa-

tion and the Life Offices' Asso-ciation dismiss proposals to in-

troduce employee directors in

he form suggested as seriously detrimental to the

efficiency of British industry".

Although the associations believe that the report "can

usefully serve as a starting point for constructive discus-

sion about the ways in which employee participation can be further developed . . " they feel that trade undon-appointed directors would prove counter.

directors would prove counter-

insurance companies are in effect trustees" for policy-

holders and so there should be

"no erosion of the control and responsibility exercised by

directors ...".

They add that "any system of employee participation which might impair the efficiency of industrial manage-

ment and the ability of com-

panies to earn profits would cause the utmost concern to

the insurance industry in its

position as an investor of poli-

The associations feel that im-

plementation of the Bullock

and world economies grow as expected, Mr Cornell Maier, president and chief executive

of Kaiser Aluminum and Chemi-

cal Corporation, has forecast.

This strength in demand

necessary before adequate pro-fit margins can be achieved," he

cyholders' savings

The associations argue that

Insurance

Bullock

By John Brennan

for worker directors.

the possibility of splitting up of volume motor cars, he went the businesses "so that the on. With the growing threat problem areas can be clearly from low cost producers like identified and the successful Japan and Korea many would

Unemployment, the balance of payments and the motor components industry, made it awkward for any government knowingly to let Britain's volume car industry decline. "But the poor productivity and profit record of Leyland could make that difficult decision inevitable",

It was simply not possible for governments to invest the £1,500m envisaged in the Ryder Report with absolutely no regard to the likely return on its

Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer

Protection, today starts two days of talks with French government leaders on prices

pected from the talks, which

are being described as an exchange of views.

But Mr Hattersley is expected to get a detailed briefing on

freeze in France. This is what

has been called for in Eritain

by some trade unionists, led by

Mr Jack Jones, general secre-tary of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

speriences of a blanker price

and competition policies. No major decisions are ex-

By Derek Harris

That was a large part of the nation's resources and it was unthinkable that it should be land should be reexamined, with that Britain must be a producer wastefully invested in a business unable to generate satisfactory profits.

The success of the new Mini project was doubtful, based on such small production lines and introduced so much later than all its competitors.

The model range should be reconsidered because there were good grounds for believing that Leyland was trying to cover too much of the market Britain was effiicient in more

specialist products such as components for cars, buses, lorries and quality cars. "How much and quality cars. "How much better off would we be as a nation if the money allocated to Austin Morris had been devoted to making Jaguars and Rovers the rivals that they could be to Mercedes and BMW?"

Mr Hattersley's two-day Paris talks will

include study of blanket freeze on prices

powers

Mr Hattersley has so far

prices for as long as 12 months are proposed in the Govern-ment's new price restraint Bill.

Holfway through the three-month price freeze in France,

which ended in January, the

bankruptcy rate went up more

than 20 per cent, even though

some exceptions were made

tight restraint on prices, with a

7 per cent annual phased maxi-

mum imposed. This has been

combined with wage controls

Since January there has been

under the controls.

although greater to freeze individual

## Fiat seeks to raise car sales in UK by a third

By Clifford Webb

Fiat is planning to increase by nearly a third car sales in Britain where imported cars are already taking nearly a third of the market.

So attractive is the new single tier Fiat franchise that Mr Egidio Spinelli, managing director of Fiat Motor Co (UK), has told his 360 dealers that new dealers are queueing to replace any "backsliders".

In the first three months of 1977 Fiat sold 18,217 cars, taking 5 per cent of the market. This compares with 10,735 (3 per cent) in the same period last year. If maintained, this could result in the year end forecast of 65,000 cars being surpassed.

The most decisive change made by Fiat was the move to single tier dealer operation begon in January 1976. By cutting out the middle men—

and an attack on public sector industry deficits. The French experience of

this phase of economic restraint,

which could have lessons for Britain's management of its phase three policies, will be explained by M Robert Boulin, economic and finance minister, and M Claude Vilain director

general for competition and prices at the Ministry of

Mr Hattersley will also meet

Mme Christiane Scrivener, who

is the minister responsible for

consumer affairs, as well as

industrial and trade union

20 pc increase

on advertising

Advertising expenditure rose by more than 20 per cent last year to about \$125m, according

in spending

and obtained more control of their selling points.

New car registration details for March released by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders yesterday, emphasize the growing number of continental made cars being imported by Ford, Vauxhall, and Chrysler. They account for 10.6 per cent of the total market nearly one in four of all ket, nearly one in four of all

Ford is now second to Datsun as an importer with 7,409 (5.98 per cent) to the Japanese company's 8,001 (6.46 per cent). Largely as a result of increasing shipments from American continental subsidiaries, EEC imports have risen to 31.87 per cent against 23.27 per cent in

March last year.
Leyland's dismal performance (27,998, 22.63 per cent) was undoubtedly brought about by the month-long strike.

## In brief Parolle wins £6.8m order

A £6.8m order for Parolle, the project engineering subsidiary of the Revrolle Parsons group, brings to almost £10m the value of work which the company is handling in connexion with a power and water project in the street of Coren project in the state of Qatar in

The contract, for electrical equipment for the Ras Abu Fontas power and water station, has been received from Kraft-werk Union of Germany, which is supplying the gas turbines and acting as main contractor to the Qatar Ministry of Electricity and Water. Ewbank and Partners of Brighton are acting as consultants for the complete

BP and Wimpey join in

Formation of a new joint off-shore maintenance and servicing

Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, said yesterday that unions and em-

ployers would be asked volunturily to freeze wages and prices for three months to halt the country's deteriorating eco-nomic condition. The constitution does not allow an enforced

Government's price numbers for curren current

Pottery exports up £5m Exports in the pottery and ceramics industry for the first two months of this year were more than 15m up on the corresponding period last year. Volume of exports increased from 23,000 metric tonnes to nearly 28,000, according to figures released by the industry in Stoke-on-Trent.

# for Qatar

the Gulf.

offshore rig venture

company was singuinced yester-day by British Petroleum and George Wimpey and Co. The new concern Offshore Maimen-ance and Inspection Service Company, will offer a world-wide service for repair, maintenance and inspection of offshore oil and gas platforms, and operate from offices in London and Aberdeen.

Australia seeks ' freeze

Accounting experiment

The fourth edition of the accounting is published today. ment with the current accounting proposals (ED 18) published by the Accounting Standards Committee on

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Engineers into the driving seat? Sir, Not so long ago Britain for which it can find no use in built the finest ships, aeroplanes, locomorives marking

and electronic equipment in the world. Today many of these basic industries, for all practical purposes, no longer exist. The electrical engineering in-

dustry has not escaped the con-sequences of these changes. Many firms with proud names, such as Metropolitan Vickers, British Thomson Houston, Eng-lish Electric, Siemens, GEC (Wirton) have lost their identity to become mere industrial divisions of one large firm-and this ar a rime when many feel bigger is not better.

On the export side, especially so far as the EEC is concerned, things have not turned out as expected. Instead of the balance of trade moving in our favour, it has moved against us. The performance of the engineering industry has not matched its strength, size and ability.

Either engineers have not ried to push their way into Community markets or have not applied their efforts in a way that has commanded success. There can be few alibis. It is

planes, locomotives, machine dom; or that there is insuffi-tools, motor cars, motor cycles cient manufacturing equipment cient manufacturing equipment and capacity, when many firms have shut down their workshops; or that there are insufficient design and development engineers when many professional engineers walk the street as unemployed with no hope of practising their profession again.

This surely emphasizes that the cycle of successfully converting raw material into useful goods and services involves something more than just capi-tal and labour. The idea that a mechanic and a chartered accountant can together design and build a power starion or a telecommunications complex is absurd. They will get nowhere without the knowledge and experience of the prefessional engineer who, in this country, is completely ignored in all considerations of policy Even-the Government "think tank" is understood to be considering the future of the electrical engineering industry without a single practising engineer among its members.

just not true to say there has In other parts of the world, been insufficient investment engineering firms are directed

by engineers who, by their training, think in terms of phy-sical things and measure their success in terms of the goods and services they contribute to society. In the United Kingdom the industry is controlled largely by accountants or bankers trained to think in terms of money. To them, success is the difference between assets and debts at the end of the year. If the value has gone up, all is well. If it has gone down the works are closed, the assets are sold, the proceeds are reinvested in activities offering higher profits and the professional/and skilled engineers are thrown into the street.

. At the end of that road there are no real assets, no industry, no keams of professional and skilled engineers, no one want a great deal of money. This is precisely the situation towards which engineering is heading. Is it not time that engineers problem and studied it as their dolleagues in other countries do and stepped into the driving seat before it is too late? G. L. E. METZ, ...

#### Confusing two aspects of the ACAS role

From Mr J. E. Mortimer Sir, In his letter about ACAS in your issue of April 6 Mr Leigh-Leviss confused two issues: our impartiality in industrial disputes and our support for the extension of collective bargaining.

On the first issue, it is of help to employers and unions that independent conciliation is available in industrial disputes Conciliation does not provide a solution to all problems but it frequently helps. ACAS receives mearly 300 requests for conciliation assistance each month. The requests have increased substantially since ACAS came into existence.

On the second issue, ACAS has a statutory obligation to encourage the extension of collective bargaining. This does not mean that we seek to impose it on people who do not want it. But it does mean that we seek to promote it when it can be shown, by inquiry, that the wishes of significant numbers or groups of workers are in favour of collective bargaining. In our inquiries in each particular case we consult all who have an interest in the outcome and we ascertain the opinions of workers. We also take account of established negotiat-ing arrangements with independent trade unions and weigh the evidence about groups with common interests, whether by

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occupation or by workplace. Mr Leigh Levis, makes assertions as to how ACAS will interpret the information it re-ceives in an inquiry in which he is interested. His assertions are conjecture. It is the Council of ACAS which makes re commendations on recognition references and the Council includes employers, trade union-ists and independent members. The Council has beither yet received nor considered the results of the inquiry in the com-pany in which Mr. Leigh-Leviss is interested.

Yours faithfully, J. E. MORTIMER, Chairman, Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitistica Service, Cieland House,

#### Lunatic taxes that could breed rackets thick materials, and is the first

made egainst royalties.

for goods sold abroad.

As one who has travelled much of the world, I can

assure you that many people at home work infinitely harder than some export salesmen to invent or manufacture parts

So once again we have a most unfair tax which could

not have arisen if the people

who arrange the Budget knew

what they were doing-never mind what the CBI say, like

the trade unions they are only out for themselves and I

am quite sure that not all the

members of the CBI are happy with these lunatic taxes.

memsahibs waged a losing barrie in an effort\_to get wood cut into short lengths that could be

shut into the firebox; somehow

the food was never tainted with

smoke, and was almost invari-ably cooked to perfection.

that era were produced by our

servants with the most rudimen-

tary facilities was amazing

enough, but even more so was

The Kenua Settlers' Cookery

Book is already a period piece, and it is rapidly becoming a col-lector's item l In 1970 I

endeavoured to purchase a copy.

for a daughter-in-law in Nairobi, but my efforts were inhibited from the outset for "settler"

had already become a dirty

entirely for

How the elaborate meals of

ANDREW G. ELLIOT,

Elliot Right Way Books,

Sir, The proposed tax saving of its kind in the world. Each for people spending 30 days machine costs thousands and I overseas is a further example am told that many export orders have been received.

Last week a book I wrote
called Business Letters was of an unfair tax thought out by, doubtless, well-meaning politicians or civil servants bought by the Japanese to be translated into their language, who lack understanding and an advance payment run-ning into hundreds of pounds

It will cause rackers—some salesmen will find ways of being abroad extra weeks or months to secure the immense saving in tax. Remember what happened when the Socialists made it illegal to charge business lunches as expenses? Today some companies have set up directors' dining rooms, plus chefs, and the cost to the country must be 10 or 20 times more. I shall never forget the fight I put up to stop Robert Carr's ruinous and inflationary training levies, which are still

One of my friends has spent the bulk of his life and capital inventing a food machine which is miles ahead of anything in the world and may bring in millions of pounds in

I arranged for a printing Kingswood Buildings, machine to be made in Britain, Lower Kingswood, which prims directly onto Tedworth, Surrey.

Cooking up memories of a vanished way of life

From Mrs A. J. Boase
Sir, I was delighted to read thet
A. M. Glesson, like myself, is
the proud owner of a copy of
the Kenya Settlers Cookery
Book, which was the mainstay
and prop of East African memsahibs during the 1930s and
1940s. Even to this day—and in 1940s. Even to this day—and in England—it still has its uses, and at all times those wellthumbed pages conjure up nostalgic mer

Although most of us used oilstoves on our back-verandshs when making special cakes or puddings, the bulk of the cooking was done by the cook—duly instructed as per that invaluable cookery book—in kitchens situated at some distance from the house. Therein minor miracles were performed with the aid of a baleful-looking little Dover stove which perched incongruously on cabriolet legs

and had an inscriable appetite for firewood.

The cook and his "toto" worked in a haze of smoke, for Kilworth

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Maresfield Uckfield.

# Page Street, London, SW1P 4ND.

word. I Yours sincerely,

ALICE BOASE

achievements

The annual general meeting of stockholders will be held on Thursday, 5th May, 1977 at 10.30 a.m. at the RAI Congress Center, Europaplein, Amsterdam, Facilities, for simultaneous translation into English are

2 Report of the board of management for the

financial year 1978 3 Approval of the balance sheet and statement of income, with notes; consideration of proposal to pass the dividend

4 Determination of the number of member the supervisory council; appointment of members of the supervisory council 5 Determination of the number of members of the board of management; appointment of a

member of the board of management 8 Annual decision concerning issues as required by the London Stock Exchange 7 Any other business

annually recurring agenda item in re London Stock Exchange concerning the listing of Akzo shares on that stock exchange.

The agenda, the signed annual financial statements, as well as a list of personal data on the nominees for the supervisory council are available for inspection by stockholders at the Company's office, 82, IJssellaan, Arnhem. There and through the undermentioned banks stockholders may obtain free copies of the aforesaid documents.

Stockholders who wish to attend the meeting should deposit their shares in order to establish their identity not later than Friday, 29th April, 1977 for a period of seven days at the Company's office at Amhem, 82, IJssellaan and with the following

in the Netherlands with Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank N.V., Algemene Bank Nederland N.V., Bank Mees & Hope NV, Nederlandse Credietbank N.V. and Pierson, Heldring & Pierson N.V. in Amsterdam, Rotterdam, The Hague and Arnhem, in so far as said banks have offices in these towns;

In the Federal Republic of Germany and in West Berlin with Deutsche Bank AG, Berliner Disconto Bank AG, Bank für Handel und Industrie AG, Berliner Handels- und Frankfurter Bank, Dresdner Bank AG. Sal, Oppenheim Jr. & Cie. and Saarlandische Kreditbank AG in Frankfurt a.Main, West Berlin, Düsseldori, Cologne, Hamburg, Saarbrücken and Wuppertal;

in Belgium with Generale Bankmast-achappij N.V., Bank van Parijs en de Nederlanden Beigië N.V. and Kredietbank N.V. Brussels and Antwerp;

in Luxemburg with Banque Générals du – exembourg S.A. in Luxemburg; in the United Kingdom with Barclays Bank Limited, 54, Lombard Street, London EC3P

in France with Lazard Frères & Cie., Banque de l'Indochine et de Suez, Banque Nationale de Paris and Crédit Lyonnais in Paris; in Austria with Creditanstalt-Bankverein in

in Switzerland with Swiss Credit Bank. Swiss Bank Corporation, Union Bank of Switzerland in Zürich and Basie and their branches, and also with Pictet & Cie. in

in the United States of America with The Chase Manhattan Benk N.A. in New York, N.Y.

Copies of the annual report will also be available for collection by stockholders during the period up to 5th May, 1977 at N.M. child and Sons Ltd., New Court, St. Swithin's Lane, London EC4P 4DU.

The Supervisory Council Arnhem, 14th April, 1977



#### Conference call for rating changes to help small trader By Our Commercial Editor factor in driving small traders out of business, according to the National Chamber of Trade. Their national survey, covering

Strong calls for changes in rating systems to help hard-pressed small High Street traders will be made at the annual conference of the National Chamber of Trade opening at Brighton on May 3.
There is growing alarm at the

number of small traders being forced out of business as costs rise, while business growth lags. Bankruptcies, which largely involve small businesses, rose 22 per cent in the first three months of this year compared with the same period last year. And the number of businesses would up in the first quarter was 596 compared with 566 last proposals would mean "an

inevitable loss of important year.
overseas earnings."

year.
Rating increases are a big

year should increase by about
10 per cent if the United States
and world economies grow as
expected, Mr Cornell Maier,
first quarter of 1976 and 20 per

due to buying in anticipation of expected higher prices and price realizations which are tions, he said.

cent up on the fourth quarter.

Some of the rise may have been stitute in London show that stocks of all types of aluminium were elso steady at 4.2 million ince realizations which are tions he said.

Primary aluminium stocks of the end of January and last real increase in expenditure it margins can be achieved, he non-Communist countries con- July. There was a peak of just this year would be as high as dided.

Mr Maier was commenting on million tonnes at the end of August, 1975.

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Aluminium shipments this figures for the first quarter of February, the same level as the month before and at the end of last July. Figures from the Inter-

national Primary Aluminium In-

to Mr John Treasure, outgoing president of the Institute of increases, the greatest being in excess of 600 per cent over the Practitioners in Advertising. At yesterday's annual general meeting in London he said that the outturn was better In the past two years rate increases on average have been running at about 20 per cent a than expected.

Mr Treasure, group chairman of J. Walter Thompson, said that the fall in agaicy employment during the past 10 years had been hatted and had now stabilized at shore

year, estimates Mr Les Seeney, director general of the NCT. The annual conference will be asked to back a number of moves aimed at reducing the rates burden. A committee of inquiry is to investigate the system under which retail shop premises are valued on lease

two years to the autumn of 1973, showed wide variations in

had now stabilized at about 13,000. However, he foresaw no return to the level of 20,000 employees which the industry had in the mid-1960s. expiry and rent reviews. Mr Rodney Millard, chair-man of Saward, Baker Adver-tising, the newly elected presi-dent, said that last year expenditure by advertisers was up 9 per cent in real terms. 10 pc rise in aluminium demand forecast

Estimates for the first quarter of this year showed an increase in expenditure of about 35 per cent against the 20 per cent provisionally esti-mated. "It is now fairly safe to say", he went on, "that to say", he went ou, "that business is doing much better than we thought it would." tonnes, the same levels as at However, he doubted that the

**JOHN I. JACOBS** & COMPANY LIMITED

The Annual General Meeting of John I. Jacobs & Company Limited will be held on 6th May in London. The following is an extract from the circulated statement of the Chairman, Mr J. H. Jacobs:

Property Acquisition In a quiet year for us compared to the turbulence of 1975, the highlight was certainly the purchase in October of our newly constructed freehold office building. Such a move has been a special objective of mine for many years and when the opportunity of buying 19, Great Winchester Street came along, having taken professional advice both with regard to the value and the structural aspects of the property, we finalised a deal and expect to move into our new offices within a few weeks, in mid-May. In so doing we have achieved a number of things. We have opted out of likely rent increases in this part of the City, we have put money, which constantly depreciates, into a tangible asset which is more than likely to appreciate and, above all, we shall have our own front door and self-contained offices. I am sure this will be a tremendous morale booster inspiring us all to even greater efforts in our daily tasks than heretofore, this in turn should result in

Changed Pattern of Trading

It is perhaps sad that after so very many years as small, but we believe successful shipowners, we have felt compelled to bow to the realisation that to run tramp ships carrying either wet or dry cargoes, under at any rate the British flag, can now only be profitable in good freight markets. Modern running costs, of which wages and repairs are by far the highest factors, have in my opinion priced us out of these markets in anything but boom type conditions. With the present heavy surplus of ships in both tramp freight markets, it looks to be some long time yet before the type of vessel we have always operated on an opportunist basis, can again make sensible profits. We have therefore thought it wise to come out of ship management for the time being and I am extremely pleased to be able to report that since the year end our remaining managed vessel Hollywood, which had been laid up since the end of her time charter in November, has been sold for a satisfactory figure. We must continue to diligently seek fresh outlets for the resources we now have at our command. After a reasonable period of time, however, if no new ventures with good chances of profits present themselves, then I think it would be appropriate for an almost entirely broking company, without the requirement for large sums of capital, to earnestly consider in what way the cash resources that it is holding can best be used to benefit its stockholders. Maybe a reduction in capital would serve the purpose best, we shall have to see when the time comes. which I suggest will be at the end of this year or during the first half of next, by which time we may well have been able to take the maximum benefit from some of the short dated government, securities which we are presently holding.

Company Well Placed for any Market Upturn

Our broking business is continuing as usual. Our hardworking and expert staff never let up and considering how-poor markets have remained, I am not dissatisfied with their results. This seems to be the moment to once again register on your behalf my thanks to all our people in whatever capacity they serve our company for

yet another wholehearted year of application and good work. A real recovery in either the tanker or the dry cargo market still looks to be some long way off but when the tide does eventually turn, we are as well placed as any of our competitors to render the extra services which will be required and so I can, with confidence, say our future seems well assured.

Perhaps I may here be allowed a word or two on more general affairs. I have mentioned earlier how we have now avoided the probability of increasing rents in the City. We cannot, however, opt out of the imposition of ever-increasing rates. This is so in any case but if the G.L.C. is ever allowed to take over the City Corporation which has served the square mile so well for so very many years it would be a bad day for us and indeed for any organisation trying to carry on a profitable business within the City. Costs of operating here through the rate burden would undoubtedly spiral, inefficiency would proliferate and many firms would either have to move out of the City or worse still close down. Maybe that is what the extremists who wish to change the present system really have in mind. May I here and now register my strongest opposition to any suggestion of the City Corporation being taken over by the G.L.C. or indeed anyone else.

As I have said before I am convinced that, among other evils, our crazy taxation system is at the root of many of our troubles. In a same society taxation would be kept to an absolute minimum for running the necessary affairs of the State and would be heavily biased upon the spending not the earning end of individuals' incomes. Thus those who save and invest would be encouraged and those who spend would be taxed. As a small example of what I mean, I suggest that for instance, as in some other countries, motorways might be toll roads, ensuring that those who use them would pay for them, in such a system people could elect whether or not to spend and incur taxes or to save and avoid them. This would be working with, rather than as at present against, burnen nature and no longer would so many hours of time and so much brainpower be devoted to thinking of ways of avoiding paying our present income and other taxes and of ways to promote all manner of perquisites to the same end. There would, of course, have to be provision to help the elderly and really needy to pay the heavier prices that extra taxation on sales would bring about but such proper assistance should surely not be beyond the wit of man to provide. People are always being called upon to save and invest, surely there is an absurdity in this when, as I write, up to 98% tax is levied on any dividends that may be paid and if, through good fortune, on selling a gain is made, then 30% gains tax is called for on top of the insidious toll presently already being exacted from any investment by double figure inflation. Aside from these there is, of course, corporation tax to be provided before the question of dividends arises at all-

Not very good incentives to risk one's savings I should say. To finish, as usual, with a word about our prospects in the current year, let me just say that I shall be most disappointed if we are unable to again recommend a somewhat higher dividend when the results for 1977 are known.

## Another attack on the 'insider'

Nothing does the stock market gained 7p to 94p yesterday, but a more disservice than the sight the stock market has always of share prices roaring away been slightly nervous of Blackhours or even days ahead of an wood Hodge's gearing and with of share prices foaring away hours or even days ahead of an announcement—typically a bid. It breeds cynicism and contempt in the hearts of investors and politicians; it embodies everything about the stock market that has been driving small shareholders away from direct investment in droves. So one welcomes the fact that the Stock Exchange and the Takeover Panel are turning their combined weight towards eliminating the problem at source. Yesterday The Stock Exchange announced it was setting up a new Investigation Section, responsible to the Quotations Panel, with the task of setting up special committees of inquiry to look into unusual price movements; today the Panel will amounce a code of conduct to

announce a code of conduct to be followed by companies which have some news of a price sensitive nature in the pipeline.
The Panel's aim is to prevent

intoward price movements and where it fails, the Exchange's hope is to find an explanation more quickly and efficiently than in the past. In short, this is a further effort to eliminate the inside speculator or to avoid suggestions of inside

But what real hope do they have of plugging what has for long been an ugly gap in the supervisory system? Recent experience gives little ground for optimism. Last year the Exchange noted eround 1,750 unusual price movements, inquired closely into 24 cases, and came up/with only one out-poken comment—op the Suits spoken comment—on the Suits

The problem, as ever, is that the Exchange's hands are tied by the laws of libel and the difby the hard of finding conclusive cridence. It is hard to see how this difficulty can be decisively mckled without the Exchange obtaining the right to malie privileged comment, and that might have to mean taking stututory powers, something the Exchange—and apparently the Bank of England and the Department of Trade—is anxious to avoid.

Perhaps the answer lies in pushing for a test case on the basis of the advice given at the time of the Suits investigation that the Exchange might, after all, have some degree of quali-fied privilege at the main super-visory agent for the securities market. The Penel has already been showing a laudable willing-ness to speak up more force-fully when it feels justified.

# Blackwood Hodge

Underlying growth at Blackwood Hodge last year was
strong enough to absorb a
f4m setback to losses of
around £860,000 in Canada and
still leave profits 9 per cent
higher at £127 still leave profits 9 per cent sales gain to £83m, higher at £12.7m. That per- With the French formance is the more remarkable in that it was achieved despite a £2.1m increase in interest charges and £1.5m rise

Canada did not turn sour mail the second half when pro-fits elsewhere were coming through strongly, particularly in the United Kingdom, thanks to take-off by Brirish companies for Middle East contracts and the success of a new JCB frunchise, and on the back of the booming Nigerian economy in Africa.

Moreover, while a change in the mix of business in favour of new equipment sales and away from sales of replacement parts save the lowest pre-tax margin in the past three years, it will work to Blackwood's benefit this year as the higher margin part sales build up. A one-for-two scrip is intended to increase the market-ability of the shares which

been slightly nervous of Black-wood Hodge's gearing and with a yield of 6.4 per cept it would be unwise to expect too much from the shares at present. Final: 1976 (1975) Capitalization £25.1m Sales £250m (£186m) Pre-tax profits £12.7m (£11.7m)

Earnings per share 14.85p (16.02p) Dividend gross 6p (4.6p)

Glynwed Yield

prop Glynwed's confidence in 1977 is rellected in a 10 per cent increase in the 1976 dividend when only a maintained pay-ment was promised with the £10m rights issue. For the rest there are few surprises in a £4.2m profits increase to £14.6m which, as expected, averted a decline in earnings per share.

decline in earnings per share.

But price rises from the British Steel Corporation which helped Glynwed's stockholding division increase trading profits from £3.6m to £6.3m have disappeared as the European industry has drifted back into recession and while there is scope for improvement in profits of the other divisions, enthusiasm for a yield of 10.9 per cent at 104p is muted by the group's exposure to the building trade and the fact that the dividend is only covered 14 the dividend is only covered 11

In the United Kingdom, gas appliances should recover from their £500.000 of losses which resulted from overstocking the previous year by gas boards and further gains should be made as demand from the motor industry continues to grow and from rationalization of the foundries,

But the key questions— whether stockholding will pick up, and whether the group's attempts to move further into the replacement end of the building trade will prove suc-cessful—are impossible to

answer yet.

Still with luck Glynwed could do much better than expected, and the yield is a compensation if best hopes are not fulfilled. fulfilled. Final: 1976 (1975)

Capitalisation £64.7m Sales £243m (£198m) Pro-tax profits £14.6m (£10.4m)

Earnings per share 11.61p (9.43p) Dividend gross 11.42p (10.38p) Wilmot Breeden

## Volume comes

With the French motor indus-

try growing around twice as fast as in the United Kingdom, higher volume at the CIM car component operation has been the main thrust behind the continuing improvement in the second half resulting in more than doubled pre-interest profits in Europe of £4.65m with exchange gains accounting for perhaps £4m of the upturn.

Trimming of capacity has done wonders at home as has increased concentration on higher margin products like telescopic bumpers and elec-tronic locking systems with pre-interest profits in the United Kingdom rising from £940,000 to £2.54m. Still with 50 per cent plus of output going to British Leyland, stoppages there cost the group around £200,000 last year and already this year profits are some £3m lower than

they would otherwise have

too, have pulled their weight and the only real blackspot was the electronics business which made a £556,000 loss. Here the chief culprit was the Ferro-graph side where bad manage-ment was mainly responsible for a £350,000 stock write-off. Although the French car in-dustry is still looking good and

Australia should recover in 1977, Wilmot Breeden has had is great leap forward so current year growth may be no more than pedestrian.

For all that, a 6 per cent yield and p/e ratio of 5.1 at 71p does less than justice for what still looks something of a precision of the still columns are included. special situation—even without the suggestions that a product strength comparable to that of Serck may attract a bid since clients of Birmingham brokers Smith Keen Cutler are thought to account for some 20 per cent of the equip, which could be used as a playform.

Final 1976 (1975) Capitalization £14.7m Sales £83.3m (£65.2m) Pre-tax profits £6.21m (£2.82m) Earnings per share 13.7p (5.8p) Dividend gross 4.24p (3.77p)

#### Babcock & Wilcox

used as a platform,

#### Thanks to ACCO

With more than a touch of understatement, Babcock & Wilcox says that its 1976 results have been transformed by the inclusion of a full year contribution from American Chain & Cable. Indeed, without ACCO, where recovery and rationaliza tion have raised Babcock's earn-ings by £16.9m compared with a four week contribuption of only £im in 1975, Babcock would have been only £1m ahead at £17.6m. Morever, Babcock's other

main oversens venture since it sold Deutsche Babcock, the increase in its stake in Babcock-Hitachi to 20 per cent, is also paying off handsomely on the back of rising boiler-making de-mand and the strength of the yen taking associate profits up from £372,000 to £3.7m. The United Kingdom opera-

tions are another matter and the performance has been quite bad as expected from its heavy involvement in the hardpressed power generation and construction industries.
With the added burden of

£2.4m redundancy costs at Renfrew, trading profits from power generation were down more than fim at £3m while the construction group was also £}b down at £3.8m. Orders on hand at the start

of this year are clearly thinning out being only 10 per cent up in value at £545m and much will depend on the Drax B programme to keep the power generation side in work. But the group has been collecting a number of contracts

since the year end in particular

Sauch Arabian one where the £10 plus downpayment due soon will considerably improve liquidity which had in any case is already looking considerably better since the December year end with £20m overdrafts turned into a net cash position. Excluding last year's currency gains of £4.75m which are likely to be well down this year, earnings in 1977 will be hardpressed to match 1976's 21.7p although there will be another 1p a share this year from the profit on Herbert Morris. The yield at 86p is still only 3.8 per cent but with the dividend covered 10 times Babcock may be able to use further United States acquisitions to liberalize this in the not too distant

Final: 1975 (1975) Capitalization £78.3m Sales £530m (£371m) Pre-tax profits £34.4m (£17.1m) een.

Earnings per share 21.7p (11.9p)
Hydraulics and engineering.

Dividend gross 3.25p (2.95p)

future.

## Patricia Tisdall

## Pop goes the diet drinks market

Determined not to be caught out again as they were last summer by being unable to satisfy weight conscious thirsty customers, the drink manufac-turers are being extra active this spring in making and promoting low calorie soft drinks for 1977. Pioneered in the 1960s by Schweppes (which distributes Pepsi Cola as well as its own mixed drinks) low calorie drinks have become the

fastest growth area of £935m soft drinks market. Gradual participation by other established drinks companies like Beecham Foods which distributes Coca Cola as well as Hunas Mixers and Britic, the Allied Breweries soft drinks subsidiary, helped generate steady increases in low colorie soft drink sales

generate steady increases in low calorie soft drink sales.

However, the real lift came on the crest of the heat wave last year when the value of the low calorie mixer and canned drink sales shot up by about 50 per cent (against an overall sales increase of short 17 nessessions) soles increase of about 17 per cent) to reach a value of about £29m. Projections for 1977 are for a sales figure of £36m.

The trouble was that there were not enough bottles and cans of Diet Pepsi, Tab (Coca Cola) or even Schweppes Slimline or Britvic Slimster mixers to go round. The established drinks makers had to sit back and watch RHM, a new entrant better known for food

## Bittersweet battle between the giants

than drink, scoop the pool with One-Cal, a drinks range it had just launched under the Energen slimming product label. This year Beechams, which with products like Lucozade and Ribena is already well known to supermarkets, is tack-

known to supermarkers, is there-ling RHM on its own ground with a range of low calorie fizzy canned drinks under the Hunts lubel. Called Bittersweet, the drink with 15 calories a can only just meets the legal only just meets the legal description of "low calorie" but is said to have a more

natural taste than its rivals.

Beechams which spent 18 months developing and testing Bittersweet is backing the launch in June with £300,000 worth of television advertising the largest amount the company has ever spent on the initial launching of any product. While RHM and Beecham's are competing on new ground

the earlier entrants, Coca Cola and Pepsi Cola do not plan to stay idle. Substantial advertis-ing budgets have been allocated. for Diet Pepsi launched in 1975 and Tab, the Coca Cola version relaunched in the same year. Coca Cola is also putting Coca Cola is also putting £370,000 worth of new advertising behind Fresca, a fruit flavoured low calorie canned drink launched with some success in Britain last year. Fresca with RHM's One-Cal in fact

with RHM's One-Cal in fact featured among the list of top 20 new products for 1976 com-piled by the trade magazine Super Marketing.

Off licence and public house customers as well as super-market shoppers will see fresh compedition in low calorie versions of the ginger ale, bitter lemons, tonics and lemonades which they use to dilute their spirit drinks

of products due to come on the market later this month. Ex-cept in ginger ale, Canada L., a best known existing product, a will have a long way to 50 to

Schweppes reckons to hold over 50 per cent of all low calorie drink sales; and in mixers its Slimline brand has mixers its Slimline brand has almost become a generic term. Increasingly its products are being drunk in the home as well as in pubs and on their own as well as mixed with alcohol. Schweppes this year expects 65 per cent of its volume sales of Slimline to come from off licences.

Even if more drinkers turn

Even if more drinkers turn Even it more drinkers turn to non-alcoholic low calorie mixers in public houses, the proprietors are unlikely to com-plain. For the report on prices costs and margins of soft drinks issued by the Price Commission this month shows that profit margins on soft drinks can be higher than on beer or spirits. The average percentage gross

margin for soft drinks and mixers in public houses at between 51 per cent and 66 per cent were criticized as exces-sively high compared with 48 per cent to 50 per cent on spirits and 32 per cent to 38 per cent on beer

Increasing health and weight consciousness are obviously the main factor in the rise of low calorie drink sales. In America, diet drinks (as they are called there) account for around 18 per cent of all soft drink sales. In Britain their share has gone up from about 5 per cent two years ago to around 10 per cent ast year with another jump to 15 per cent expected in 1977.

Schweppes in particular is looking for more sales from male customers. Indicative of a general trend is research flud-ings from one area which found that while only 11 per cent of men drank its Slimline products in 1974, last year the proportion hed risen to 26 per cent. The equivalent figures for women users show a rise from 20 per cent to 29 per cent.

The The growth projections assume that the latest saccharin scare does not reach the same levels as the anti cyclamates move did in the 1960s. The ban on cyclamates knocked develop-ments in the low calorie drinks murket back several years; a saccharin ban could annihilate it since all the products use it as an essential sweetener. In addition to growing sales

from weightwatchers, there is believed to be a need, high-lighted during last year's admittedly exceptional conditions. tions, for a more adult, les sweet drink.

Beecham's which are aiming Bittersweet at this sector as well as to weight watchers will-Cols. A new product intended for adult consumption and described as a "sparkling pine apple and grapefruit crush" was put on the market under the Lilt brand name last month by Coca Cola. The launch follows extensive test marketing in Scotland which started as long ago as 1973 and the product is claimed to be a brand leader in Holland ...

The American-based Coca Cola organization, anxious to retain its traditional hold on soft drink sales, is investing a record £3m worth of advertising in existing brands this year, a rise of 40 per cent on 1976.

The welter of advertising and promotion is simed as much at

the retail trade as much at the retail trade as the end customer. All the menufac-turers are auxious to get as much of their products actually in the retail distribution pipe-line as soon as possible to pre-Canada Dry, the Bass Char-rington-owned mixer manufac-turer, is making a bid to break shortages during the hoped for Schweppes dominance in the long hot summer to come.

Slater Walker he was less than

amiable yesterday when asked whether his loans, totalling £150,000, had been repaid. Slater Walker, predictably enough, declined to make any

Ask the man in the street for

the name of the chairman of

British Airways, the man responsible for the outcome of the

strike of maintenance engineers

and not many would be able

to name Sir Frank McFadzean. But, McFadzean, formerly a chairman of Shell is shaping up

a far more obdurate character than his predecessor Sir David.

Nicolson, now chairman of Rothmans.

Since coming into the public service, McPadzean is emerging

comment at all .

Grounded

## Mondragon . . . Basque country, though not on alongside the existing private

Last week I related the findings of a report on the Mondragon cooperatives in the Basque provinces of Spain. This week I shall pursue the questions whether and to what extent the Mondragon model could and should be imported into Britain.

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For the purposes of argument (and brevity) we may take for granted the main theme of these columns over the past three and a half years, namely that we do not have the option, even if we wanted it of muddling through on the basis of our present political economy. For, we have exhausted the

ror, we have exhausted the natural span of about 25 years during which it is possible, through exploiting the inflation-blindness of trade unions, to reconcile collective bargaining with reasonably high employment by always making inflation. tion run faster than those who set the price of labour expect. We have to look for a differwe have to look for a differ-ent political economy if we are, to avoid nature's remedy, of breakdown followed by authori-tarian expedients. The only visible alternative to the Tweedledum and Tweedledee

of Benn-type state socialism and Heath-Healey-type corporatism is the competitive market economy consisting predomin-antly of workers cooperatives. (I pass over romantic socialists, like my good friends Mr Paul Foot and Mr Tariq Ali, who hope to dispense with both governments and markets as regulators of economic activity by implanting spontaneous

mutual benevolence and per-sonal restraint in place of self-advancement as the principal motive force of economic man, at least until they provide a rigorous general account of how, without either state commands er market signals, such paragons will be able to tell what private acts will maximize the social good in a complex modern economy. I counsel them against seek-

I counsel them against seeking a solution by further elaboration of the nightmarish piling of Pellons of national and regional councils upon Ossas of local and plant committees, as sketched in Paul Foor's splendid polemic Why You Should Be A Socialist, if they wish to avoid the ultimate absurdity of building Utopia in the pessimal image of the National Union of Journalists.)

The apparent success of the

The apparent success of the Mondragon cooperatives over their 21 years of existence so far (the evidence for which still needs to be vigorously audited) cartainly owes something to the specially favourable circumstances of the Basque provinces in the Franco era. According to the testimony of Antonio Perez de Calleja Basterrecches, the director of the all-important

> The only visible alternative to the Tweedledum and Tweedledee of Benn-type state socialism and Heath-Healey type corporatism is the competitive market economy consisting

predominantly of workers' cooperatives

First, the Spanish civil war had left the Basque country, which was ou the losing side, "in ruins"; and this, combined with the "very limited geographic area" (about the size of Devon) in which the kloudragon experiment was concentrated. experiment was concentrated, gave "the group a cohesion, as human beings with the same outlook on life, the same way of thinking and the same object

tives".
Secondly, "the Mondragon experiment has taken place in it is easy to believe that we would have had far greater dif-ficulties had this not been the

Britain certainly has a long industrial tradition. And cer-tainly ir does not have the kind of social cohesion and unity of economic purpose which military catastrophe seems to-have conferred upon Germany and Japan, as well as on the

Denis Healey's heroic and so far improbably successful efforts to postpone the evil hour by indefinite extension of the reces-

Till we have built

definite extension of the reces-sion, the extrapolation of the basic trends of the last 25 years powerfully suggests that acure economic failure will soon do for Eritain what the civil war did for the Basque country and the Second World War did for the Second World war did for Germany and Japan. Indeed, it is to forestall or at least to coincide with that event that we need the workers' cooperative economy as the only plausible vehicle for democracy and freedom thereafter.

It is, of course, one thing to reform under the influence of disaster already suffered and

#### Peter Jay **Economics Editor**

quite another to reform in anticipation of a dimly perceived threat. But to achieve the latter before events enforce the former is the classic func-tion of statesmanship and scirious political activity.

Other elements in the success Mondragon on which Sr Calleja lays much emphasis

The role of the bank as Go The role of the bank as guaranter of the social principles of the movement, as head-quarters regulator and coordinator of the activities of existing and new cooperatives, as the source of finance channelling the savings of the local community back into cooperative investments and more recently, as provider of management skills and realistic commercial guidance;

The principle that it is working for the firm rather than

owning a capital stake, although that is also required, which entitles a man to elect the directors and to share the residual eurnings; • The solidarity between man-

agement and other workers promoted by the obligatory 3:1 minimum earnings; The importance of effective participation by all members, to which end "cooperatives should not have a labour-force of more than 400 to 500 per

establishment " The "crucial role" played by the workers own £1,000 or £2,000 stakes in the enterprise, both as a source of substantial cheap finance and as a psycho-logical influence on the stake-

holder/worker : and The need for new coopera-tives to originate in a spontane-ous "bottom up" wish of people to collaborate commercially and socially, but then for them to receive high quality managerial and financial assistance and advice.

The circumstances in which the workers cooperative economy will have to be inaugurated in Britain will be rather different. The essential economic gain from the transformation arises not from any necessary individual superiority of the cooperative enterprise over the private enterprise. If there were such a superiority, the change might well be occurring spontaneously. It arises rather from the consequential withering away of collective bargain-

This is a "public good", in the sense that it will enable management division of the cooperative bank to the Mondragon community (the Caja
and prosperously once again;
and, as such, it cannot be
sought piecemeal by the ordinary pursuit of private advantage. National collective bargaining will not wither away in the ing will not wither away in the face of the odd cooperative here and there.

This implies that the transformation cannot develop gradually

and state sectors, as some co-On the other hand, despite Mr operative enthusiasis hope. It lenis Healey's heroic and so far has to be imposed by an initial change in company and cooper ative law.

It may, however, be possible partially to reconcile this with the natural desire for a more the natural desire for a more step-by-step approach by imposing it at first industry by industry wherever the collective bargaining process is specific to an individual industry. Coalmining, printing and most public corporations and services (apart from the technical monopolies like water and sewage) may be good examples. may be good examples.

On Sr Calleja's specific points I would:

• welcome the bank's financial and technical services, but fight shy of the tendency for it to become the benevolent despot of the system, which is apparent in Mondragon despite the bank's aiguly democratic formal con-stitution;

strongly endorse the principle that labour as such is the entrepreneur, not labour as shareholder;

• scrap any fixed ratio of man-agement/worker rewards on the grounds that once labour is the entrepreneur, there is no need to restrict by a general rule the rewards that labour chooses to pay for good manage-ment and on the grounds that Britain does not have the advan-tage which, Sr Calleja admits, the Basque country has of being so prosperous relative to the rest of Spain that even under a

> The basic trends of the last 25 years suggest that acute economic failure will soon do for Britain what the civil war did for the Basque country and the Second World War did for Germany and Japan

3:1 ratio, management salaries in cooperatives compare reasonably with alternative management positions in other parts of

deal with the problem of the size of large British companies by splitting them into their com-ponent plants and shops, very few of which employ over 1,000 people on a common enter-

dispense with the workers' stakes on the grounds that this compromises the labour-entre-preneur principle and is an unsound investment of members personal savings: seek risk capital from the ex-

isting capital markets (whose equity in a bankrupt economy) on a variety of terms including fixed interest debentures and equity-like issues, which would offer a mortgage on assets and a variable return according to commercial performance guar-anteed by the cooperative's own interest in maintaining a reason-sbie price for its obligations in the stock market (precisely as in practice, existing shareholders return depends on the desire of boards of directors to be able to raise new capital in the

@ prepare employees for the imposition of cooperative organization by education through both the national/political debate leading up to the decision to switch to a workers' cooperative economy and through special training programmes, as well as establishing a national network of advisory services for the new cooperative boards to

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## Business Diary: IPA's Millard • In the money

The phrase is that of his predecessor of the last two years, John Treasure, group chairman of J. Walter Thompson, who yesterday described some of the problems that lie ahead of the new how new boy. Not only was the recession

still on, but the volume and complexity of domestic and EEC legislation affecting advertising was as great as ever.
In particular, the Restrictive Practices Court is no rule on whether it is or is not for the media to give a 15 per cent discount on normal tariffs to the agencies. This discount helps to keep the agencies in business. It also

underpins the industry's system of self-regulation, for any agency which flowts the industry's code can have IPA recognition (and the discount) with-The European Commission is keeping up a steady stream of proposals on advertising and consumer protection, and the publication of the Annan report



Rodney Millard: help!

Rodney Millard, the new presidual to be followed by the dent of the Institution of Practitioners in Advertising, will need all the help he can get.

The advertising on the fourth TV channel. On top of all this, Millard, who is chairman of Saward Baker Advertising, has to face

something that has troubled few IPA past-presidents. This is the retirement, after 22 years, of the director James O'Connor. He will be succeeded by David Wheeler.

#### Printmanship

Peter Orchard emerged yesterday as the successor to Sir Arthur Norman as chief executive of De La Rue, the world's biggest printers of banknotes. Orchard, Freddie King and Dem Moore are the only executive directors the group has. Although all three are longserving executives of the group, only Orchard has spent his

working life in the security and graphics division. King and Moore came up through what was until three weeks ago the Formica division, the group's only substantial non-security interest. It was then that De La Rue sold off its 60 per cent stake in Formica to the

holder of the remaining 40 per cent, American Cyanamid. Orchard is a specialist in the Spanish and Portuguese-speaking worlds (De La Rue has operations in Colombia and Brazil) and could tell a tale or

two-but won't.
Security printing executives are obliged to be tight-lipped about their work. Sir Arthur, Orchard's predecessor, does however feel free to recall his days as a "currency smuggler"

This was in 1938, when as a 21-year-old not long with the maon.



Photograph by John Manning All other people's, unfortunately: Peter Orchard, De La Rue's new chief executive, amid a selection of his company's wares.

firm he slipped through the Japanese lines to set up a banknote factory in the city. The notes, printed from plates smuggled through in mackintosh pockets, were smuggled out for distribution elsewhere in China. Sir Arthur, a former presi-dent of the CBI, is staying on at De La Rue as non-executive chairman. He'll now be free to spend some time in his new job as chairman of the British end

of the World Wildlife Fund.

Casa mia

Latest in the lengthening line of palatial London houses to go on sale is the Mill Hill home of former Slater Walker Securities senior director Ian Wasser-

Only £500,000 is asked for Highwood Park, Wassermann's Spanish-style seven-bedroomed house which stands in a private estate of nine acres off Nan Clark's Lane. This may sound like small change to the scores of Arab buyers reputedly snapping up the capital's most select residences, but the proceedings are likely to be of great interest to Slater Walker, or what re- outside.

mains of it. Wassermann was among a number of SW directors listed reports and accounts. As one of the more amusing But we must get them on a individuals in the heyday of more rational footing."

as a man who never hesitates to speak his mind, whether in public or private.

According to an interview in the latest issue of The Log, the journal of the British Air Line Pilots Association, he locked at British Airways when he was asked to take on the job of chairman and wondered to himself: "If this is an organization with over 50,000 employees and they can't produce their own cheirman, there's something cheirman, there's something sadly wrong." One of his objectives is to ensure that he is the last chairman appointed from

On trade unions, he is renorted by The Log as saying, Seventeen trade unions is a as having large personal loans hell of a lot of unions to deal and mortgages from the com-pany in its most recent set of trade unions. They are an essent'al part of any organization.

Alarmline

Prospects

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT FOR 1976

## Dreamland

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£000's	Year ended 3	1st Decemb
Turnover Trading Profit Less: Interest charges and	1976 5,281 336	1975 <b>5,44</b> 3 <b>698</b>
Royalties received net	(82)	(12) (171)
Reorganisation Costs	254	515
Profit before Tax		
Profit after Tax	200	337

Recommended final dividend of 1.525p per share, making a total of Final Dividend 2.275p per share for the year, the maximum allowable. Profit after tax again takes account of the lower taxation charge resulting from the pre-acquisition losses brought forward in the accounts

of a subsidiary leaving £567,000 unabsorbed. A general policy of destocking on the part of our wholesale customers prevailed throughout. The effect was to curtail severely our electric Trading Pattern blanket sales for the year as a whole, although purchases by the public were extremely high. Stock-holdings by the trade were thus reduced to an all-time low by the year end and as a direct result we experienced a dramatic upsurge in sales in the first quarter of 1977, in order to satisfy the normal end of season consumer damand.

> Our Alarmline fire detection systems were consistently promoted during the year and a network of carefully selected selling agents was established throughout Europe. These systems have been fully accepted by the Central Electricity Generating Board and we have now gained contracts for their installation in the Board's proposed new power stations. This coupled with the fact that the general public purchased considerably more of our electric blankets during 1976 than ever before confirms our

belief that our products will continue in healthy demand in the future and provided there is no further deterioration in the economy the Directors are confident that the present profit level will be considerably increased

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#### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

## Gilts cycle on ebb as equities shine again

prices sharply ahead.

The strength of Wall Street was the only positive influence but dealers said that with jobbers short of stock most rises were out of all proportion to the amount of business done.

With no selling to counter-balance this light demand, the FT Index closed 9.9 ahead at 417.8, a little below the best but the strongest daily performance for a month. There is also

Some say that there is a case for taking part of a profit in Charterhall, now Zrp. They think that a deal with BP over financing development in the Buchan Field will be on its way within weeks but they jear that any deal will mean Charterhall getting paid by BP from the eventual profits of the field over a period of years.

growing belief that the gilts narket is close to the top of its present cycle and there were reports of institutional funds

being transferred to equities.
Gilts themselves continued to
be comparatively subdued in
what was described as a "punting" market. Long dates recovered from early losses of

For the second day running three-eighths to close at around sector, A. Bell gained 2p to number of speculative issues in a characteristic contribution outshone gilts as small their overnight levels. At the 206p after the General Accident a thin market, notably Hunting but persistent buying sent share shorter end of the range, early stake.

Gibson up 14p to 178p, Common gains of up to half a point were clipped back and by the end most stocks stood between one-quarter and three-eighths

better. Among the "blue chips", there were double-figure gains from Glazo 10p to 477p and Fisons 12p to 342p. Also favoured were ICI 358p, Courtailed 121p and Beecham 436p. all up 6p, while the strength of Wall Street helped Unilever

to an 3p gain at 462p.

Results brought some interest. to the engineering sector. Figures above marker expectations helped Babcock & Wilcox to rise 2p to 36p, Adwest 8p to 180p and Blackwood Hodge 7p to 93p. Bullish figures from motor component maker Wilmot-Breeden did not reflect in the price which held steadily at 71p, but reassuring words on its order position helped Westland to regain 12p of the previous day's loss for a close of 56p.

Glywed held steady at 1041p diywed neid steady at 104:19 after its statement, while among the majors Hawker Siddeley jumped 8p to 58p and GKN ended at 300p ex-rights. The new, the second most active share of the day, gained 2p to 30p premium. 

Interest in the stores sector order house, which soared 16p to 210p after news that Gus had acquired a near-10 per cent stake. The latter's "A" gained 6p to 219p, an active Boots closed 6p higher at 151p, Burton "A" pur on 4p to 74p on enfranchisement hopes and Rritish Home closed a full 9p British Home closed a full 9p to the good at 191p.

Three to benefit from com-

ment were Lex Service 31p to 55p, Booker McCounell 3p to 160p and HP Bulmer 6p to 124p. Elsewhere in the drinks

Speculative demand was evident for Gallenkamp "A", up 16p to 292p, United Scientific 8p to 194p and textile group Lee Cooper which gained and Furness Withy 8p to 294p, but Ocean Transport, dryng 7p

Adda International held firm at 181p after its deal.

Over in electricals, featured issues included Reyrolle Parsons, up 7p to 163p after order news and in front of figures, MK Electric, better by 7p to 135p on fresh bid talk, Thorn "A" which soured 10p to 266p, GEC 5p to 174p and ICL 4p to 189p.

rises in the near future, cement shares like AP Cement 6p to 178p, Tunnel 6p to 164p and Rugby 3p to 57p all advanced

With the prospect of price

Latest dividends

Gibson up 14p to 178p, Common

14p to 90p.

After completion of the Terry sale, THF firmed 4p to 136p in the hotel sector, where Rowton was a strong 98p, up 6p, and Adda International held firm at 184p after its deal.

and rurness Withy 8p to 294p, but Ocean Transport, down 7p on Tuesday, stayed strangely subdued after its recent good figures and rose just 2p to 146p.

With the metal price in good

With the metal price in good form, gold shares had a strong session. Anglo-American Gold ended 87p higher at £15.12, there were gains of 75p from Randfontein at £22.25 and President Brand at £9.25, while both West Driefontein £17 and Vaal Reefs £11.25 were better by 50p. Also ahead was FS Geduld which ended 62p to the good at £10.75.

In the financial sector, merchant banks responded to 78p, Tunnel 6p to 164p and some favourable comment, tagby 3p to 57p all advanced irongly.

The shipping pitch had a Keyser Ullmann 3p to 26p. The

4p rises from Barclays at 252p. Midland at 282p, National Westminster at 232p and Lloyds

Insurances were led shead by Royal with a rise of 8p to 316p, while Guardian Royal Exchange added a penny less at 193p and there were 6p rises from

ner and

husine!

Dealers are looking for profin from European Ferries, due to report soon, of up to £9m, against/£6.3m. Traffic reports from both Dover and Felixstowe are encouraging and the east coast port will be included for the first time. Vague takeover talk still surrounds the shares which rose 21p to 701p.

Phoenix at 206p and Sun Alliance at 423p.

In properties, Peachey went affead 4p to 36p on talk that once the boardroom troubles are out of the way a bid may be in the office. Reidenment be in the offing. Bridgewater sumped 15p to 248p after turn-ing down terms but Great Portland finished 6p up at 212p and Land Securities rose 4p to

and Land Securities rose 4p to 165p.

Rigures, new and recent, were good for rises in L J. Dewhirst 2p to 50p and Cosalt, where second thoughts brought a jump of 6p to 62p. 8. Jerome was at a firm 48p.

Fourth temperature on April 12 and

Equity turnover on April 12 was £33.34m (11,040 ! bargains). According to Exchange Tele-According to Exchange Telagraph, active stocks yesterday were ICI, GKN new, BP, BAT Dtd, Marks & Syencer, Shell, Boots, Trafalgar House, National Westminster, Distillers, Barcleys Bank, BAT Ind, Thorn "A", GKN, GMB, Freewans, Babcock, Peachey, RTZ, Common Bros, United Scientific, Lee Cooper and Revroile Parsons.

## Statement by the Chairman, **Mr Hume Stewart-Moore**



Mr. A.Y.H. Stewart-Moure Chairman Sallabar Ltd.,

#### **Trading Results**

Group sales for the year were up by 21.3% trading profit before interest by 5.8% and trading profit after interest by 11.6%. From these figures the broad pattern of our 1976 trading can be seen. While net profits were higher than last year, inflation and increases in tobacco taxation accounted for the major part of our increased turnover. Continued pressure on margins, however, led to the substantially lower percentage increase in trading profits.

There was again an overall increase in the level of profit contribution from businesses acquired and developed in recent years, but the contribution from our domestic tobacco business improved only marginally and, in . fact, declined in real terms against the hackground of a national inflation level of some 15%. The need remains for further economies and higher sales in all parts of the Group, particularly in the domestic tobacco business which accounts for the major part of our turnover and profit.

**SUMMARY OF RESULTS 1976** 

**Group Sales** 21,131,100,000 Profit before Tax £41,100,000 \$20,800,000 Tax 21,500,000 Ordinary Dividends £17,800,000 Profit retained **Net Assets** 5266,400,000

#### **Tobacco -- Domestic**

Unit sales of our cigarette brands increased by some 2% in a market which was extremely competitive and which was itself virtually static. Sales of BENSON & HEDGES SPECIAL FILTER, the King Size leader, again showed a very significant increase and our SILK CUT brand contimed to dominate the low tar sector of the

Although the pipe tobacco market declined marginally our own sales increased by 4% and our leading brands, BENSON & HEDGES MELLOW VIRGINIA and CONDOR, the market leader, both increased their market share.

Sales of British manufactured cigars declined while those of imported brands improved. This produced a small decrease in the total market but our own sales increased again with HAMLET maintaining its strong progress and RENSON & HEDGES SPECIAL PANATELLAS and SENATOR both doing well.

#### Tobacco - Overseas

In the Netherlands, NIEMEYER'S ROXY DUAL FILTER continued to dominate the low tar eigerette market and, while the total market declined. NIE-MEYER'S own clearette sales grow strongly. NIEMEYER'S pipe and hand rolling tobaccos maintained their domestic sales levels and SAMSON is proving an increasingly popular brand in other EEC.

The RITMEESTER cigar business had another successful year with record sales and results, and the high level of exports continues to be maintained.

In the Irish Republic, GALLAHER. (DUBLIN) has to be specially commended. for an excellent all-round performance during a year that produced record sales and

I am particularly glad to be able to report that exports of cigarettes, cigars and tobaccos again showed an increase on the previous year, with SILK CUT King Size and International Size outstanding.

#### Engineering

Overall, the performance of our engineering businesses showed a down turn on last year with no real growth in sales and a decline in profits, Demand remained depressed for the greater part of the year although at the end of 1976 some improvement in orders was evident. Our engineering companies continue to take active steps to develop their overseas markets and they now have well-established interests in Australasia, Continental Europe, Africa and North America

#### Optical

In the U.K. the higher profit level achieved by our optical companies in 1975 was maintained. In the overseas optical companies substantial progress was made and our rapid expansion in Italy continued, with 63 branches now operating. In the Netherlands improved profitability was achieved.

Distribution Our Cash & Carry businesses and the FORBUOYS chain of confectionery, tobacco and newsagents shops all experienced difficult trading conditions with keen connectition and pressure on margins. The WARRINER & MASON Cash & Carry depots suffered severely during the first 6 months but made a good recovery towards the end of the year. The TORACCO SALES depots in Northern Ireland, however, once more improved on their previous good

The FORBUOYS chain again increased their profits. They now number 387 DIEVIOUS YEST.

I must again express my sincere thanks to all our managements and staff, both at home and overseas. To them we owe our hard-won progress in 1976 and to them we must look again in the current year. It shows no sign of being any easier than its predecessor. Whilst all our people are subjected to the current vicious levels of personal taxation, our ar daye siliered 2 m disproportionate fall in real income and I can only hope that the vague promises made by Government spokesmen will now be backed by positive action.

There is no doubt that there is going to be a great deal of public discussion on the subject of the Bullock Report. As far as possible it will be my intention to ensure that public argument does not damage the goodwill and understanding that already exists and that has been built up over the years amongst all of us working in the Group, My colleagues and I believe that our policy of increasing the information available at all levels will lead naturally to increasing harmony and involvement. On the question of the appointment of Directors, it is my view that the most important consideration is that all members of a Board should have as their main objective the prosperity of their Company, and that they should be able to work as a team to

#### Outlook

The success of our Group remains very much dependent on the success of the domestic tobacco business, and at the beginning of February we announced details of our plans to invest £12m in our U.K. tobacco factories over the next three to four years. This will ensure that we have both the competitive cost structure and the manufacturing capacity to grasp marketing opportunities at home and to build on our encouraging cigarette and tobacco sales overseas. At the same time we shall continue to support our other businesses, in particular the engineering companies which, although having had a disappointing year, could make a considerable contribution to a longerterm advance in Group profits. But our success and, indeed, the success of business as a whole in the United Kingdom is currently subject to many imponderables, not the least of which are inflation and Government controls, particularly on prices and incomes. As far as the latter are concerned we can only continue to look for some tangible signs of a real understanding of the vital need for incentives and profit-

aning in private money.					
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES			£000s		
	5	ales	Profit		
	1976	1975	1976	1975	
Tobacco-Domestic	768,900	654,300	29,500	28,700	
-Overseas	143,300	88,800	6,400	2,900	
Engineering	47,200	44,100	3,600	5,700	
Optical and associated activities	27,900	24,100	4,700	4,300	
Distribution	143,800	121,100	2,600	2,600	
	1,131,100	932,400	46,800	44,200	
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#### Business appointments

## De La Rue has new chief executive

Mr Peter Orchard has become chief executive of the De La Rue Company in succession to Sir Arthur Norman, who remains on the board as non-executive chair-

man.

Mr H. C. Harrison is to be chairman and chief executive of Simon Engineering on the retirement of Mr L. Brook, the present chairman, on June 30.

Mr R. H. Braybon has been made deputy chairman of the Alliance Building Society.

Mr P. R. Dugdale, general manager, overseas, is now a director of Guardian Royal Exchange.

Mr R. J. Rimmis, financial con-troller of Standard Chartered Bank, has become a semior general

Bank, has become a senior general manager.

Mr P. C. Hore, planning controller of Fisons Fertilizer division, joins the divisional board from May 1 as planning director.

Mr Michael da Costa, Mr Brian Fitter and Mr John Croxford, have gone on in the board of Empire Chiering.

Mr Rodney Millard, chairman of Saward Baker Advertising, has been elected president of the Institute of Fractitioners in Advertising. He succeeds Mr John Treasure, chairman of the J. Walter Thompson Group.



Mr H. C. Harrison, who is to become the new chairman and chief executive of Simon Engineering in June.

Alliance

F.T.A. All-Share

F.T. Industrials

Mr James Derriman, secretary of Charles Barker ABH International, is the new president of CEDAN, the federation which

CEDAN, the federation which links the national professional bodies for public relations in 13 countries in Europe.

Mr M. B. Hofmeyr has become a director of Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines, with Mr K. H. Nkwahilo as his alternate.

Mr N. G. Whitaker, managing director of RHM Agriculture (North West), has been made managing director of Rawlings James and Phillips. Mr A. W. Jones, managing director of Brooks Savill, succeeds Mr Whitaker and Mr A. F. Nicholls becomes the Brooks Savill manage. ecomes the Brooks Savill manage ing director.

Mr Graham Morgan, managing

Mr Graham Morgan, managing director of The Wrigley Company, has been elected vice-president (sales) of the parent company in the United States.

Now that the offers by Oci-van der Grinten Finance for Ozalid Group Holdings have become unconditional, Mr N. J. Kiely, Mr A. J. Barrett, Mr J. R. Gillum, Mr J. M. Jackson and Sir Cyril Pitts have resigned from the board of Ozalid. Mr J. J. Kaptein, president of Oce, Dr J. V. H. Pennings and Mr Y. Schaafsma, vice-presidents of Oce, have gone on to the and Mr Y. Schaafsma, vice-presidents of Océ. have gone on to the board of Ozalid. Mr Kaptein has been made chairman and Dr Pennings deputy chairman and managing director of Ozalid. The board of Océ now comprises Mr Kaptein, Dr Pennings, Mr Chr O. van der Grinten, Mr Barrett and Mr Jackson.

Mr D. L. Jalving has been elected a vice-president of Wells Fargo

ted a vice-president of Wells Fargo Bank and appointed a deputy man-aging director of Wells Fargo Ltd. Mr Alian Robertson and Mr Door Fraser join the board of NCR. Mr J. B. Henderson. Mr J. D. McDiamid and Mr O. A. Stratton have been appointed additional directors of Reed and Smith Hold-

ings.
Mr Frederick B. Rossiter has been made managing director of Dean Witter International. He succeeds Mr Calvin P. Gaddis, who is returning to the United States.

Mr David Hudson has joined the board of Etraid Qualcast (Wrought & Engineering Products)

ducts).
Mr Hugh Dundas, chairman of Redifon, has been appointed acting chalrman of Redifon Tele communications. The onigoing chairman, Mr J. R. Brinkley, who is managing director of Redifon, is to devote more of his time to Redifon. Computers.

## THE ALLIANCE TRUST **COMPANY LIMITED**

The following is the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. David F. McCurrech, circulated with the Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 1977.

Our sernings, at 6,66p, are up by 19%%. The increase in Gross income is no less than £1m. and only a small part of that, £148,000, comes from Gilt Edged and Daposita. Very good rises in dividend rates from many of our U.K. equities, with a modest addition from holdings increased by £5m. during the year, have produced an extra £618,000, while higher U.S. dividend rates have been compounded by the fall in sterling to produce an extra £246,000. The dollar sterling factor accounts for the improve ment over our mid-year forecast of 6.50p. Your Directors have, in the light of these good results and the sources of the increase, recommended a final dividend of 4.75p making a total of 6.35p against 5.35p. In order to reduce disparity between interim and final dividends it is the Directors' intention to raise the interim dividend for 1977/78 from 1.6p to 2.2p.

Atthough the accounts show nearly a quarter of our Gross Income coming from Gilts and Deposits, the extra tax payable on unfranked income means that the net proportion is much smaller and that an investment of these fixed interest funds in U.K. equities need not mean any substantial loss in net

## **VALUATION**

Over our year our net asset value per unit fell by 6%, the F.T.A. All Share Index fell by 3.5% and the U.S. Standard & Poors 500 Share index adjusted for currency premium fell by 7.9%. Our year end coincided with a flat spot in all markets, not least the currency premium which over the year fell from 67%% to 29%. The sterling value of our holdings, of course, fell by much less since the premium fall was offset by the decline in the official sterling rate: the combined effect of premium and exchange rate was a fall of 9% in sterling values. This has the very satisfactory compensation of roughly halving the premium content of our valuation from £24.2m. (17%%) of the total to £11.97m. (9%).

My recent retirement from management and my temb Chairman's Statement may excuse a little retrospection over a remarkable decade in which the world in which we do our job has been turned almost upside down. In the range of domestic affairs, starting with the abolition of full relief for overseas tax we have seen two completely new tax systems and a growing burden of Corporation Tax, a temporary cailing on overseas investment, a drastic broadening of the premium currency system, a comprehensive Capital Gains Tax, the concoction of the currency premium surrender system, the Introduction in banking of the system of Competition and Credit Control and, for almost the whole decade either dividend limitation or a total freeze. In the wider world there were two sterling devaluations followed by a final "float", two major dollar crises, two major world stock market slumps, the collapse of the Bretton Woods world monetary system, the temporary resurrection of gold, the driving out of Keynasian demand management by the monetarists, and the greatest world inflation in modern history followed by the worst recession since the 1930's. Against that background there may be some ment in our own record as shown in the following Table and Chart. Not only do we show an unbroken record of increases in our regular rate of dividend far ahead of the indices but a rise in our net asset value ahead of both, and even in the price of our own shares well ahead of F.T. Industrials despite a rise in the discount in our share price against asset values from 11% to 23%.

#### Percentage Increases 31st January 1967 to 31st January 1977 Dividends

**Net Assets** 

Values

76.5

73.8

105.7

79.9

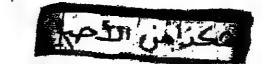
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ET INDEX	ALLIANCE TRUST	PENCE PER SHARE
686 580	ANNUAL PRICE RANGE	NET ASSET VALUE 31st January 250
300	FT INDEX 3ist January	158

This has been made possible only by major policy changes on a scale and with a frequency and flexibility never before contemplated or even thought proper for conventional investment trusts. We have also considered, and rejected, a host of schemes or devices—offshore funds or overseas subsidiaries, convertible issues or "split" equity capital and the like. And we have many times, even before the Bank of England permitted it, considered foreign currency borrowing and as often rejected it either on grounds of interest terms or stock market prospects, although we have an open mind on future possibilities. Our broad policy has continued to be the pursuit of both income and capital growth, neither ever wholly surrendered to the other. Inevitably this prevents dramatic short-term successes, but (1) it has protected us against the extremes of the major downward cycles (or worse had it happened) and (2) it has produced a balanced growth on both froms well ahead of averages, outstandingly dividend growth 86.4% batter than F.T. Industrials.

The future seems as confused as the past. The short term at home must depend upon a Phase 3 settlement, but it could well be that even without it, if the monetarists are right, the tight rein imposed by the I.M.F. Loan conditions could, after an excruciating wrench, create the very climate for the structural changes which the country so sorely needs, changes in central government and industry and even in some of our political attitudes and institutions. There is indeed a danger that the effects of North Sea oil may be so benevolent as to deflect us from these changes but even that would permit a more cheerful short term view of home prospects. At the same time one dare not forget either the hesitant state of world trade, so vital to our recovery, or the strains on international currencies imposed both by yawning balance of payments gaps and by huge mountains of unstable debt. The risks are great but the potential of the U.K. stock market is probably as great as any elsewhere. Our U.K. equity proportion at 49.4% is higher than of recent years but we still hold 40.8% overseas.

4th March 1977.



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All and an experience

## Paper and packaging save DRG but business bad elsewhere

The Dickinson Robinson
Group matched its forecast of
mofiles in 1976. matched his recease in 1976, maintained profits in 1976, despite a dismai first half performance.

A marked recovery in demand

for DRG's paper and packaging products in this country during the final months of the year helped the group recover all the first helf's 45 per cent profits shortfall.

So pre-tax profits rose slightly to £19.8m on sales a fifth higher Although the home market

for packaging improved, trading conditions for DRG's stationery and fine paper products at home and abroad remained depressed throughout 1976.

In advance of new disclosure

rules which come into force on April 18, Great Universal

a number of years and the holding is regarded as an

per cent of Freemans; equity, lowever, the Freemans board and family is thought to convol about 25 per cent, so with the backing of GUS, a "good" rice would have to be paid

Dowding confident With sales rising 24.5 per cent

of £4.5m, pri-tax profits of howding & Mills advanced 20 her cent to £716,000 for the ix months to December 31. Ar Kenneth Sharp, chairman f this electrical and mechani-

al repair engineers, forecasts total "well in excess" of the 1.09m brought in over 1975-76. The dividend is raised from 0.69p to 0.75p gross.

Dreamland over worst

A return to profits in the

second half leaves Dreamland electrical Appliances with a pre-tax profit for 1976 of 254,000—a fall of 50.6 per cent.

Turnover dipped 3 per cent to 15.2m, reflecting heavy desocking over the year—mainly of electric blankets. The gross dividend is reised from 3.18p to 3.5p gross. Meanwhile, the year has started with "dramatic" and much income to orders and much in

rise in orders, and much in-creased profits forecast full-

Net new investment in fixed-

the year shead of the sharp overs rally in gilt-edged. About £5m year.

interest securities in 1976 by

Scottish Provident Institution totalled £25m, writes Mr M. D. Peutland, chairman. Of this some £7m was invested late in

stake in C. H. Johnson & Sons— at akmost double the recent

market price—hes been agreed by the parent, J W I Ltd of

WI, which owns 671 per cent of the capital, is to make so offer of 60p cash per share for the 650,000 shares still held.

'obson's shares closed in odon on Tuesday at 320. The oral value of the offer is

In 1976, Johnson's turnover rose from £2.95m to £3.68m. Pre-

tex profits were up from \$232,000 to £360,000.

Turnover for 1976 of London & Provincial Poster up from £8.91m to £9.38m and pre-tax profit from £43,000 to £1.01m. Total gross navment, 13.36p (12.13p). Group continues to trade profitably and orders for first helf shown encouraging tends.

Turturer for year to January 11, £1.47m (£4.51m). Pre-tax profit, £1.61,000 (£269,000). Total gross payment held at 5.59.

Our report yesterday that the Gangochy Trust had sold part of its stake in Archur Bell stated incorrectly that 500,000 shares had been bought by Legal & General Assurance Society. In fact these shares were bought by General Accident.

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**GA-ARTHUR BELL** 

Scottish Provident

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vestment) Sears Holdings has over 20.3

Australian stayed in the red, elthough remedial action reduced the loss, and the Canadian and South African companies continued to suffer from local economic recessions

Three months into the current year DRG reports that sales and profit momentum at home has been maintained, but the over-seas companies continue to be a problem.

Currency exchange profits of £3.4m are treated as capital items by DRG. So overseas trading profits of £6.1m against £6.8m last year reflected the true scale of the slide in profitabilities.

At home profits of the Royal Sovereign Group, acquired last

John I. Jacobs' hint

I. J. Dewhirst at peak

E. Fogarty tops £1m

Turnover of E. Fogarty in 76 rose from £11.8m to

has reasonable conditions, the

board is confident on prospects. The group makes pillows, conti-nental quilts, etc.

As predicted at half-way, pretex profits of Henry Boot & Sons for 1976 were virtually un-changed at £2.53m, against £2.54m. Turnover rose by 20.96

per cent to £57.01m. The total gross dividend is up from 11.530 to 12.66p. In spite of depressing national trading, the board expects to maintain the group's overall level of profitability this

H Johnson agrees 60p a share

Briefly

LOAN FOR TEXAS
Export Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed £28m loan arranged by Lloyds Bank International, acting on behalf of Lloyds Bank, to Corpus Christi Petrochemical of Texas.

Lazard Property Unit Trust has received a record subscription of

f9m from its twentieth issue which closed on March 28. The trust, which now has a value of over f73m. will be seeking further first-class properties for its portfolio.

S. JEROMB & SONS
Turnover of S. Jerome & Sons
(Holdings) for 1976, steady at
£5.01m (£6.35m). Pre-tax profits
up from £422,000 to £510,000.
Total gross dividend up from 4.2p
(adjusted) to 4.63p. One-for-tan

Group's success remains dependent on success of domestic tobacco business, writes chairman. In qualifying accounts, auditors state that company has been named as a co-defendant in two civil anti-

Current year's profits are likely to show further rise, and chair-man confident of healthy cashflow

LAZARD PROPERTY

GALLABER.

trust actions.

TULE CATTO

Henry Boot steady

July for £3.7m, have been con-solidated for the full year. But the impact of the additional earnings in 1976 was "not significant".

Exchange rate adjustments inflated the increased working capital requirements in the year by £4.1m. But the remaining by £4.1m. But the remaining £14.4m increase related in part to the sbarp rise in home demand in the last half and the effects of incorporating Royal Sovereign into the group.

Dividends have been increased the maximum permissable to 9.65p per share gross, 1.7 times covered by net earnings. At 116p, unchanged on the results, the shares now yield 8.3 per cent on an historic price earn-ings ratio of just under 11.

## GUS reveals near 10 pc stake in Freemans was put into United Kingdom ordinary shares. Meanwhile the board is confident on the results of the triennial valuation at end-1977. Stores says that it has a stake of 9.98 per cent in Freemans (London, SW9)—another big mail-order house. GUS says that it has held the stake for a number of particular for the stake fo

## A hint at a possible capital reduction is given by Mr J. H. Jacobs, chairman of John I. Jacobs, shipbrokers. Having left ship management for the time being, Jacobs is now almost entirely a broking, company, without the requirement for large sums of capital. Adwest good start takes On turnover up from 1/5m to £9m, pre-tax profits of I. J. Dewhirst Holdings, makers and wholesalers of clothing, are a record £914,000 for the year to January 14. This compares with £686,000. The board proposes a second and for three age wall as On turnover up from £7.5m on pace

By Ashley Draker

A strong grip on loss-maker Sealed Motor Construction put scrip of one-for-three as well as a dividend up from 2.94p to 3.23p gross. Earnings a shere are 7.73p against 5.77p. Sales this year are up, though pressure on margins continues. Adwest some 31 per cent ahead in 1975-76. The strength of the improvement in this automotive, electrical engineering and agricultural machinery group is shown more forcefully in the first-half to December 31 with a 50 per cent upsurge to £1.75m pre-tax. This is after lower interest charges of £91,000 against £219,000. It pays an interim reised from 3.38p gross 1976 rose from £11.5m to £15.02m and pre-tax profits increased from £856,000 to £1.25m. The total gross payment is up from 5.68p to 6.25p. Mr. C. B. Fleet, the chairman, reports that provided Fogarty has reasonable conditions the to 3.85p and expects to pay a final at the maximum rate permitted.

For the rest of the year to end-June, the board says ther order books are good. Further, the general business prospects in the areas in which Adwest operates appear to be improving slowly. Reinforcing this, the company's finances remain strong with a good credit balence, says Mr F. V. Waller, chairman. A final profit topping last year's £4.22m best-ever, h

Advest got off to a good start with the chairman report-ing in November that sales were already 20 per cent ahead of the same period, SMC con-tinued to make a profit

## Philips Lamp looks to 9pc sales volume rise

Philips Lamp, the Dutch electrical concern, is anticipating further sales volume growth of about 9 per cent—similar to last year-in 1977. The group is also hoping "to achieve a further slight improvement of profitability " this year, probably exceeding its growth in sales volume

The group's annual accounts reveal that Philips emerged from 1977 in a stronger and more liquid financial condition than when it began. Capital expenditure, which was lower for the second reasons. for the second year running, was roughly matched by depreciation; there was a decrease in the relative level of stocks from 33 to 29 per cent of sales; and the average credit period for trade debtors was cut back

As a result the group was able to manage with less capital, borrowings declined and financing costs were lower. Liquid assets at the end of 1976 totalled 1,727m florins compared with 1,309m florins

Steady growth

brings Antony

Gibbs a record

gross to 3p.

Profits after tax at Anthony

The board says that the profits were struck after minority interests, and in the case of the bank; after making

At half time, the board re-ported that the problems of

the United Kingdom economy had curbed earnings from bank-

the year before. Net borrowings were down from 5,996m to 5,123m florins.

In the present year Philips is expecting moderate economic growth, although the rate of growth will differ from country to compare. Within a country to country. Within total expected sales volume growth of about 9 per cent, the group things the markets for consumer goods and electronic components will show further growth although the affect of growth, although the effect of the backlog demand will

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment will increase somewhat, but will again be roughly covered by depreciation. Stocks are again expected to be kept in about the same relationship to sales as last year, although the credit period for trade debtors will increase slightly. Philips con-cludes that "financing will not call for special measures".

Last year Philps made a trading profit of 2,221m florins, up from 1,247m florins the year before. After tax the profit was

#### Stanley sprints after puffing in opening half

Against the odds, AG Stanley, the paint 'n paper people with more than a hundred ADS Homecare Centres has again done better than ever before.

Profits after tax at Anthony Gibbs Holdings went up from £413,000 to £465,000 last year. After adding in associated companies, these rose to a record £521,000 against £448,000—before £351,000 of extraordinary items, against £115,000. The dividend goes up from 2.74p gross to 30. In the year to January 1 pre-tax profits rose from £828,287 to £925,283 after slipping in the first six months from £381,048 to £331,148. That was the first pause for breath since 1973 but was simply the prelude to a surge in profits from £447,239 to £594,185 in the second half

transfers to inner reserves. Pro-visions and losses "of an ex-ceptional nature" have been charged against these reserves: Earnings per share rose from 7.8p to 3p, and the gross dividend rises from 7.3p to 3p. Thoughtfully, a third and final payment will be made if the rate of tax credit drops once a new pay policy is fixed.

# with bigger margins

Good profits in the second-half, which usually suffers from slack trading over the holiday season, has brought the Watts, Blake Bearne ball and china clay group to a peak £2.5m for 1976.

This is a jump of 55 per cent on last year, and was achieved on turnover 25 per cent up at £14.8m. It also points to a rise in margins from 13.66 per cent to 16.9 per cent. The second half brought a 62 per cent jump in profits to £1.36m. The board notes that fluctuations in the exchange rate of sterling, increased the year's profits by £385,000. This will be shown as a special item in the

On attributable profits up from £733,000 to £1.1m, the dividend is raised from 1.24p to 3.23p gross... Earnings a share are up from 10.17p to 15.83p.

At half-time, this Devon based group, in which English China Clays recently increased its stake to 19.15 per cent, pushed its profits up 47 per to £1-15m.

to £1.15m.

Nome marker volume was well maintained and exports showed a gradual upturn. Economies taken earlier—including man-power reductions
—helped profits as did exports
in currencies other than
sterling.

The board had continued its

development work, ready for a greater offtake over 1977 and 1978, including recruitment in departments which had become depleted. Also, the group's big capital expenditure programme is well on target. The outlook is for "reasonably good" trad-ing for the next two years, although costs continue to rise.

SCOTTISH TELEVISION Advertising revenue in the early months of 1977 is well ahead of ast year and shows no sign of dackening, reports chairman.

WEEKS ASSOCIATES Turnover for year to January 23, £7.13m (£6.2m), Pre-tax profit, £489,000 (£244,000). Dividend el-

## Watts, Blake Neckermann jolted tops £2.5m hv DM220m loss by DM220m loss

One of West Germany's leading department stores groups and mail-order enterprises Neckermann Versand fared badly in 1976. It has incurred a loss of about DM220m against a net profit in 1975 of some DM4.2m, Klaus Subjetzki, its partner in Neckermany's chief partner in Neckermann's chief house bank, Berliner Handels-und Frankfurter Bank, said in Frankfurt. Subjetzki and another BHF

Subjetzki and mother BHF partner, Hanns Christian Schroeder-Hohenwarth, added that the losses can be met by releasing about DM80m of reserves, but cutting the share capital to DM34m from DM122m and by the banks renouncing DM50m of credit claims.

claims.

They said that the banking consortium, which worked on restoring Neckermann to a healthier financial footing, is ready to renounce DM180m of claims between 1976 and 1980, of which about DM50m was the first portion.
In November BHF announced

that Karstadt AG, Europe's largest retailer, would take a majority holding in Neckermann. Karstadt's first step will mann. Karstade's first step will be to take a 24.9 per cent stake once Neckermann's legal struc-ture is converted into a limited share company (AG) from its KGAA basis (shareholders plus general partners).—Reuter.

#### Merrill Lynch

Merrill Lynch, which reported lower 1977 first-quarter results, said many securities markets declined sharply in the quarter compared with stronger markets a year ago. Prices and activity in virtually all fixed-income markets dropped during the quarter. As a result, revenues from commissions and principal transactions declined. Investment banking revenues were also down.—Reuter.

Westinghouse ahead Westinghouse Electric Cor-poration reports first quarter carnings a share of 61 against 54 cents. Net profit climbed from \$47.2m to \$53.2m. Sales were \$1,420m compared with

International

of the settlement of its uranium contract lawsuit with Duquesne Light Co, Ohio Edison Co and Light Co, Ohio Edison Co and Pennsylvania Power. As previously announced, Westinghouse agreed in March to pay the three utilities \$5m in cash within 30 days and provide equipment and services over a period. The net cost of the settlement, based on present values, is expected to be about \$56m.—Resuter.

#### Thomson-CSF

Thomson-CSF, the electronics arm of the Thomson-Brandt group, turns in net profits for 1976 of \$1.32m francs, up from 60.42m. The company is to increase its dividend to 6.70 francs per a share from 6.30 francs. Turnover for the year stood at 7,800m francs compared with 5,300m. The 1976 total in-cludes 1,713m francs from Le Materiel Telephonique, of which Thomson-CSF took control dur-

#### L'Oreal in publishing

L'Oreal SA said in Paris it has taken a 40 per cent stake in the Marie-Claire Album SA magazine publisher. But it gave no financial details. The Prouvost family will retain a majority holding in Marie-Claire Album, which publishes four women's magazines. L'Oreal said it is also cousidering taking a 40 per cent stake in the capital of Interedi SA which publishes Cosmopolitan magazine.—Reuter.

#### News Ltd jumps

News Ltd reports from Adelaide an operating profit of \$A3.54m against \$A6.98m for the half-year to December 31. This was on revenue of \$A81.74m against \$A74.26m. Profit is after tax of \$A3.55m (\$A3.03m), but before an extraordinary loss of \$A1.17m. The interim dividend is up from The profit includes the effect 3 to 3.75 cents.—Reuter.

# GUTHRIE BHD LOSS Group net 1976 loss of \$ (Singapore) 6.25m, about £1.55m, against profit of \$3.89m on turnover down from \$285.1m to \$725.1m. Dividend cut from 16 to 1 cmr.— PYE OUTLOOK Increased order intake in second half "encouraging" says chairman. Long-term outlook will be much influenced by restructuring CHANNEL ISLANDS TRUST Channel Islands & International Investment Trust lifts 1976 divi-dend from 11p to 12.5p. Pre-mx revenue fell from £157,000 to GENERAL FOODS ISSUE General Foods, Canadian food processer, is to raise \$C20m in the Eurobond market, through the issue of 20,000 notes, 1984. Coupon likely to be \$\frac{3}{2}\$ per cent. BP Nutrition (UK) is to buy controlling interest in Broughton BUTCHISON INTERNATIONAL Hongkong: Hutchison International has bought a 30 per cent stake in B. B. Pischer, a Philippine trading company mainly selling industrial machinery and Pre-tax profit for 1976 fucreased to £440,000 from £226,000. Total gross dividend up from 0.86p (adjusted) to 0.91p.

# ANGLO-CORPORATION LTD

TOTAL ASSETS (less current liabilities) £77,500,000

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts are available from the Company's Office, Bucklersbury House, 3 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4N SEQ.

#### Results 1976-1977 Dividend Met (pence per share) Value (pence per share) 1977 121.5 2.64 122.5 1976 2.35 --0.8% +12.3% change FT Activities **--7.9%** +12.4% **10 Year Record** +115.0% +103.0% change FT Actuaries All Share Index +62.5%+79.2% **Geographical Distribution** of Investments North **UK.40%** America 46.8%

★ Japan 6.3%—Australia 4.3%—Hong Kong 2.3%—Europa 0.3%

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#### MARKET REPORTS

## **Commodities**

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## Bank Base Rates

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#### Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society

Notice is hereby given that the 16 ind Stated Annual Meeting of the 16 ind Stated Annual Meeting of the Members of the Society will be teld within the Head Office, 15 Dalkeith Roud, Ediphorgh, on Tuesday, the 20th day of April 1977 at 1.30 pm for the following purposes:—
To consider the accounts and blance sheets for the year ended 31 incrember 1976 and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors. To cleat Directors and Auditors. To pass, if thought fit, the following Resolution recommended to the Members by the Directors:—
"That the remuneration of the Auditors for the entrent year be fixed by the Directors of the Society." Society.
To transact any other ordinary business proper to a Stated Aimusl Meeting.
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European share prices was pur provisionally at 119.12 on April 12. 117.40 a week earlier. Bank of Tokyo

Bank of Tokyo (Curacao) Holdings is raising \$50m through a seven-year note issue at an indicated coupon of 72 per cent. The issue, which is guaranteed by Bank of Tokyo, is being managed by S. G. Warburg and will be offered simultaneously in the Furchbard and Other Milling Fred BARLEY taneously in the Eurobond and the Asian dollar bond market.

## Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

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### Foreign . Exchange

Tightly controlled by the Bank of England, the pound kept in the narrow range of 1.7190-98 to the dollar, before closing at 1.7197, 4

points up on the day.

Sterling's effective rate in the currency basket closed unchanged on the day at 61.6 after improving initially to 61.7. Business remained quiet and rather thin, dealers

quiet and rather thin, dealers reported.
The dollar recorded another general decline in Europe, notably against currencies like D-marks 2.3690 (2.3765). Swiss francs 2.5170 (2.5246), Dutch guiders 2.4630 (2.4772), and Belgian francs 36.25 (36.47).

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Elsewhere the yen fell back with Elsewhere the yen fell back with early profit-taking after yesterday's sharp advance, dipping to 272.10 before rallying to 271.50 The Canadian dollar improved to around 95.25 with the Quebec budget out of the way.
Gold had a good day, after it closed in London at \$132.625 an ounce, \$2.75 up on the day.

#### **Spot Position** of Sterling

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## Discount market

Credit conditions were fairly tight on Lombard Street for much of yesterday. The Bank of England relieved the shortage by lending, for purely technical reasons, a large sum overnight to two or three houses at the MLR of 91

per cent.

This was believed to have been slightly more than the market required, and closing balances were taken down at between 3 and 6 per cent. Rates did get up to 9 per cent for a brief spell early on, but many houses were unwilling to bid above 81 per cent.

The only identified factor working in the market's favour was a moderate excess of Government. per cent.

moderate excess of Government disbursements (again thought to partly reflect foreign exchange settlement) over revenue transfers to the Exchange.

Against this, balances were quite a long way down overnight, there was a fairly large Treasury Bill take up to finance, and the warket was required to repay the moderate loans made by the Bank of England last Wedne Jay.

## Money Market

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The Wall Street and Canadian stock prices given in the table relate to Tuesday's close. Later publication is caused by the change to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight Time begins in the

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## Wall Street

New York, April13.—Stocks closed slightly higher on the New York Stock Exchange, recovering from sizable losses at midday which had the Dow Jones industrial average around eight points in the red.

At the final bell the blue chip index was up 1.02 at 938.18 after spuring over 22 points in the preceding three sessions.

Volume totalled 21,800,000 bered declines 775 to 615.

Profit taking, which appeared in the final minutes of Tuesday's rally, intensified this morning.

Gold advances \$3.10 COLUMN AMEL 13.—COLO Intures Co. Amel 13.—COLO Inture Colo In 50.0 Cent. May 78.10-37. March 50.1 Cent. May 70.00-30e: July 70.00-30e: March 64.00 cents, May, 170.00: Life, 165.00e: Sept. 153.75e Sept. 153.75e; July 157.75e: Sept. 153.75e nominal. Sonts: Ghams and Bahla 102: e nominal. Sonts: Ghams and Bahla Coffee: Futures in "C" contract cored Jos to 3.45 cents 60wn. May, 350.00-24.75: July, 334.00-35.73; Sept. 353.50-34.00: Dec. 328.00: March, 351.50-34.00: Dec. 328.00: March 1.00 cert a b limit losses scross for board, while 57.00 a long scross for board, while 77.00 a long scross for long scross for board, while 77.00 a long scross for lo

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## E. FOGARTY & COMPANY LIMITED

Results for the year ended 31st December, 1976

		Year Ended 31st December			
		1976		1975	
		£.000		£000	
Group Turnover		15,029		11,809	
Group Profit Before Taxation		1.252		856	
United Kingdom Taxation		657		447	
Group Profit After Taxation		595		409	
Amount Absorbed by Dividends	£,000		£,000		
Interim 1.35p (1.0p 1975)	31		23		
Proposed Final 2.712p					
(2.693 1975)	.63		62		
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Year Attributable to Shareholders	•	. £501		F374	
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Earnings per 25p Share		25.7p		17.7p	

The Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office on the 26th May, 1977.

The proposed final dividend, which is the maximum permissible, will be paid on 27th May, 1977, to Shareholders on the Register at the close of business on the 9th May,

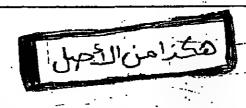
Statement by the Chairman, Mr. C. B. Fleet

After a good start in the early weeks of the current year, as is generally accepted, retail trade has been somewhat quieter but an early improvement is considered likely. However, provided we have reasonable economic conditions, the Directors are of the opinion that prospects can be regarded with confidence.

FOGARTY Manufacturers of pillows. continental quilts, bath and scatter rugs, soft furnishings, processors of feather, down and man-made fibre fillings.

Stock Exchange Prices

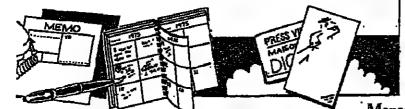
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Account Days: Dealings Began, April 12, Dealings End, April 22. S Contango Day, April 25. Settlement Day, May 3

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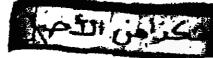
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The number of motorists who settle fown to compare the performance, specifications and interior space of one car with another and pore over the road test reports is probably small.

The factor that more than any other nakes up the buyer's mind is the look of the vehicle. How often one hears comments to the effect that "I do like that new so-and-so car" or "I would never buy a . . ." only to learn that the speaker has never even sat in the driving seat.

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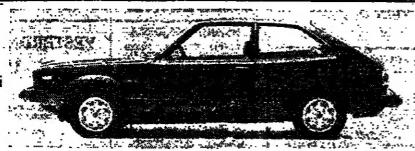
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Today the similarities are even more marked. I have mentioned the Fiesta-Polo resemblance but you might just versely, driving the front wheels, and as well compare the Ford Escort and as well compare the Ford Escort and Fiat 131, the Volkswagen Passot and the Renault 20/30 or even the Citroen CX and Rover 3500. Why that should be is difficult to determine, and I can only put it down to a sort of group instinct among stylists for what, at a five-speed gearbox. The door at the Fiat Island.

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Cars may be looking more alike but ideally should reflect the distinctive character of the manufacturer or marque. The CX and GS and even the 2CV say a lot about Citroën's rather maverick attitude towards car design, contrasting sharply with the more conservative styles and policies of its partner. Penpent

The "conservative" designers include Mercedes-Benz, BMW, Ford, Opel, Vauxhall, Reugeot and most of the Japanese manufacturers. The "radicals" include Citroën. Honda, Rover and the small specialist manufacturers like Lotus and Ferrari.

Given that stylists have to work so far in advance and apparently in ignorance of what rivals are doing, it is assonishing how often their creations emerge so alike. Looking round the National Motor Museum at Beautieut the other week, I came across, side by side two popular British cars of the success.

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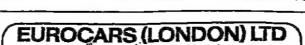
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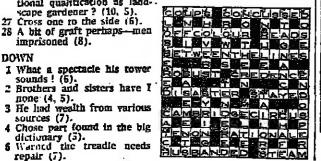
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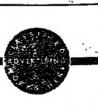
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